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WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Milford, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House, in said Milford, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and to make appropriation for the same.

3. To hear the reports of all town officers, agents and committees, and pass any vote relating thereto.

4. To see if the town will vote to employ a night watchman, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the building and repairing of highways, bridges and sidewalks.

6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the fire department.

7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for lighting streets and Town House.

9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town House repairs.

10. To see if the town will vote to reinsure the Town House and raise and appropriate money for the same.

11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the free library.

12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for sewers.

13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day.

14. To see if the town will vote to give the Woman's Christian Temperance Union the free use of the Town Hall for four Sunday evenings in the year.

15. To see if the town will vote to accept the bequest of the late A. N. Shepard, subject to the conditions named, or pass any vote relating thereto.

16. To see if the town will take any action relating to the care of any public grounds now owned, or that may be acquired, or pass any vote relating thereto.

17. To see what action the town will take in relation to the report of the special committee appointed at the last annual meeting to investigate the water works, or pass any vote in relation thereto, or rescind any votes heretofore passed.

18. To see if the town will vote to discontinue that portion of the highway leading from the dwelling house of John A. Fitch to the residence of William C. Cleaves, not used for public travel, or pass any vote relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seal the twenty-fifth day of February, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

GEORGE A. WORCESTER,
WALKER R. FITCH,
CLARENCE L. TROW,

Selectmen of Milford.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN 1898-9.

At the close of the one hundred and fourth year of our municipal existance, we would present to you a report of our official acts trusting that in those things that may fail of your commendation, we may have your criticism tempered with the thought that in all things we have endeavored to work for the best interests of our town as seen from our standpoint.

We trust that after you have carefully read the reports from the several departments herewith presented, that you will agree with us that a good degree of prosperity has been enjoyed by our people, and that as the largest town in the largest county in the state we still have a bright and prosperous future before us.

The events of the past year must have convinced all that the age in which we live is one of progress and activity, and no town can grow and prosper without being abreast with the times.

The subject of taxation is one of vital importance to any business in this age of keen competition, and always deserves careful attention. We have seen our tax rate for the past few years constantly increasing and while we have perhaps received full equivalent for the money expended, yet there is a limit beyond which we should not go and we believe that with no extravagant appropriations the rate can be reduced to one dollar and eighty-five cents on each hundred of valuation. We would call your attention to the fact that one source of income has fallen from \$9,539.12 in 1891, to \$2,611.64 the past year, and we estimate that it will be only \$1800 the present year. We refer to the Savings Bank tax without which our tax rate must have been higher.

Our public highways should interest all, and no expenditure of public money concerns so many people as that spent in this direction. The amount of money we

are obliged to raise for this department is fixed by law and gives us a little more than \$5,000. This is a large amount of money and we feel that a portion of it should be expended for permanent roads. Undoubtedly, with proper management the coming year, \$2000 could be set aside for this use without any detriment to any outside road. The time has past when towns are obliged to invest many thousands of dollars in expensive machinery to stand idle the most of the year. for contractors are numerous that will bring their machinery to a town, crush their rock and make roads for a stipulated price. But we must always remember that macadamized roads are expensive to build. We have been informed by an engineer that has been engaged in this work, that it would cost at least \$3,000 to put such a road as would be needed around our Common.

For several years but little attention has been given to our sidewalks and we thought it would be wise to spend a part of our highway money in this direction, and have put in over sixteen hundred feet of edge stones on Myrtle, Elm, and Nashua streets. The condition of Myrtle street was such that it required grading and we found that the stone wall across the ravine was being forced out by the great weight upon it, and after consultation with an experienced stone worker we removed the capping and tied it in with stones six feet in length and raised it to the proper height to get an easy grade, which before was so steep that loaded teams avoided it. We feel that the expenditure was justified by the number of people accommodated by it, and the large amount of new taxable property located in this section of the town amounting to over thirty thousand dollars since 1892, and when present buildings are completed will probably be increased to forty thousand.

We found at the beginning of the year that surrounding towns were paying less for team work than has been been paid here, and we reduced the price for two horse teams from four to three and one-half dollars per day and the town team has been employed so much of the time that at the present reduced price there has been a profit of fifty dollar made by it. And when not wanted for other work it has drawn gravel to new

streets for which no credit has been given it as there was last year.

Early in the year we had a petition signed by fifty-four persons asking us to widen and straighten Amherst street from the stone bridge to Summer street, presented to us. This was a matter that the last year's board had considered but arrived at no decision. That the street at this point is inadequate for the amount of travel there on there can be no question. We found by the records that this street was first laid out by the selectmen in 1801, acting upon instructions voted in town meeting. They defined its limits by a row of stakes driven in the ground in the center of the road and the road to be two rods wide. In 1841, the selectmen upon petition defined its bounds as follows: Commencing two rods 11 degrees east of the north east abutment of the great bridge; thence running north 45 degrees east four rods; thence north 68 degrees east fifteen rods; thence by a bank wall until it intersects the road which passes on the north side of said mill yard, the above line to be the south line of said road and the road to be two rods wide. The bridge above mentioned was removed and the present stone one erected in its place. In 1851, upon petition of Gilman Wheeler and others to the court, the commissioners came here and widened and straightened it as follows: "Beginning at an *elm tree* near the north east abutment of the stone bridge formerly known as Shepard bridge; thence on the southerly side of the highway, north 64 degrees east ten rods; thence north 69 degrees east six rods; thence on land of the Milford Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company, north 68 degrees east four rods and sixteen links; thence north 71 degrees east two rods; thence 77 degrees east four rods; thence north 89 degrees east three rods; thence south 80 degrees east three rods sixteen links; thence south 78 degrees east nine rods and eighteen links, to the west end of a split stone wall on the south side of the old highway and near Samuel D. Knowlton's shop, said line to be the south side of the highway. Realizing from the beginning the difficulty there would be in defining the bounds of the old highway, we secured the service of an able

Civil Engineer, Mr. H. G. Allen of Manchester, a former city engineer and the maker of our sewer plan, who came here and studied the problem and made us a plan according to his survey. We next considered the most feasible way to secure a wider street. On the one side we had a sawmill and other buildings used in connection with a manufacturing business with land of great value because of its scarcity; on the other side was an open field which we concluded could be taken without great injury to anyone. We therefore widened the street largely on the north side, taking only a small piece on the south side near the bridge. The amount of land taken from the north side was 2846 feet for which we awarded Mr. Whittemore three hundred dollars, and we also awarded Mr. Smith Berry fifty dollars for land and damage to shop. Mr. Whittemore appealed from our layout, and also from our award of damage and now the matter is in the hands of the court. If our layout stands, the street will have an average width of about forty-five feet and will be ample for many years. Had the matter been settled we have reason to believe that a sidewalk on the north side would have been made before this and the passing of the mill would have been both safe and convenient for all. We have no doubt that after the commissioners have been here and viewed the situation, that the matter will be adjusted satisfactory to all parties.

We have also upon petition extended Knight street seven hundred and sixty-seven feet upon which two houses have been built.

Highland Avenue has been extended two hundred feet past the house of C. B. Dodge and R. A. Smith, and Orchard street extended east four hundred and nine feet, upon which Mr. Frank Sargent has built his house. We have also considered a petition for the widening of North street and have had a survey made, and if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the abutters we shall widen it to a width of forty feet.

Union street at the intersection of the Osgood mill road, has been widened by the purchase from G. A. Raymond of a strip of land for the sum of five dollars and a like sum for the regrading of his lawn.

There seems to be an imperative demand for a public sewer up Union street to the Boston and Maine depot. There are in that locality at least five dwelling houses and the depot that are in a very bad sanitary condition, to say nothing about the surface water in the streets through which the school children have to pass, and we recommend that one thousand dollars be appropriated for this work.

In regard to compelling each house owner on the line of a public sewer to enter his drains therein, we find that this is a matter that lays entirely with the health officers of the town.

For fourteen years the town has employed a night watchman and during that time, no one but the watchman himself knew whether he was doing the duty required of him. Acting under a vote passed at the last annual meeting, we have installed an electric police register system that has worked admirably without a single instance of failure to register the whereabouts of the watchman. There are six stations about the town, that on Union Square being the most important those located outside being largely for fire protection. Our police department has been managed to the satisfaction of the board, and we believe the officers have discharged their duties in a faithful manner. The night watchman has been paid a fixed salary and all fees have been turned in to the town treasury. This method is now being largely practiced in cities and much could be said in its favor. All special officers are paid only for their time when on duty and have fees as formerly.

During the year an epidemic of scarlatina has existed in our midst. The fact that many cases were of so mild a character that no physician was called and no attention paid to the isolation of the patient, has undoubtedly been the cause of its continuance.

The health officers upon advice of the secretary of the state board ordered a quarantine of four weeks upon all gathering of children, and now the disease is supposed to be under control. The expenses of quarantine, fumigation, and the care of some families affected has been quite large but was unavoidable.

It will be noticed that in the estimates for the coming year, that we recommend that seven hundred dollars be appropriated for repairs on Town house. This is a large increase over last year, and is only asked for because the woodwork on the exterior has not been painted for eleven years and is in a bad condition. The basement occupied by the janitor and police should have all the woodwork removed and the floor cemented and walls whitewashed, and means taken to admit more light and air that it may not be a source of danger to the health of those who occupy it and the rooms above.

One hundred and seventy-five persons have accepted of the hospitality of the town and been entertained at the police headquarters at a cost of six cents each. Were our tramp law less severe it would undoubtedly be enforced more than at present.

Mr. Andrew N. Shepard, who had done much for the growth and prosperity of the eastern part of the village and was for several years a cemetery trustee, has died during the past year and in his will bequeathed a piece of land consisting of some two or more acres to the town for a public park upon condition that it be called "Shepard Park" in honor of Colonel John Shepard an early settler here. This land is very favorably situated for the purpose, being bounded on all sides by the highway and will be a valuable accession to that part of the town.

We would call your attention to the fact that we have already several acres of land in the heart of the town that should be improved for park purposes, and would suggest that a committee or trustees be appointed to care for our public grounds.

Respectfully Submitted,

GEORGE A. WORCESTER,

WALKER R. FITCH,

CLARENCE L. TROW,

Selectmen of Milford.

Estimates for 1899.

Highways, 1-4 of 130 (about),	\$5,000 00
Hydrant service,	2,850 00
Electric lighting,	1,600 00
Interest on bonds,	1,800 00
Town officers,	1,350 00
Sinking fund,	800 00
Town poor,	550 00
Library,	900 00
Fire department,	900 00
Miscellaneous,	500 00
Interest on floating debt and trust funds,	400 00
Printing,	160 00
Night watch,	600 00
Police,	50 00
Repairs of town house,	700 00
Supplies " "	400 00
Janitor " "	400 00
Sewers,	1,000 00
Water tubs,	24 00
Memorial Day,	100 00
State tax,	4,194 75
County tax,	5,457 90
Schools,	12,000 00
Insurance,	100 00
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	\$41,836 65

ESTIMATED INCOME.

Savings Bank tax,	\$1,800 00
Railroad tax,	1,000 00
Insurance tax,	200 00
Town house,	2,300 00
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	\$5,300 00

Estimated tax rate, \$1.85.

Total Valuation Found in April, 1898.

No. of polls, 940,	\$94,000 00
Value of real estate,	1,450,485 00
No. of horses, 567,	29,185 00
“ mules, 2,	100 00
“ cows, 690,	18,010 00
“ neat stock, 68,	1,030 00
“ sheep, 8,	24 00
“ hogs, 11,	101 00
“ fowls, 6440,	3,220 00
“ carriages, 39,	3,025 00
Stock in Banks,	64,991 00
Money at interest,	66,984 00
Stock in trade,	137,733 00
Mills and machinery,	142,100 00
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	\$2,010,988 00
Rate per cent.,	2 00
Total tax,	40,219 76
Added taxes after May 1st,	70 50
F. W. Chase's school tax,	42 29
Sewer tax,	49 50

Taxes.

State tax,	\$4,194 75
County tax,	5,457 90

Sinking Funds.

Water bonds,	\$1,200 00
School "	800 00

Notes and Interest.

Souhegan National Bank,	\$6,000 00	
H. M. Burnham, Administratrix,	2,000 00	
Kate J. Shannahan,	2,000 00	
A. G. Skilton,	1,000 00	
Emily E. Pierce,	500 00	
N. H. Shepard,	500 00	
Pamelia A. Fretts,	775 00	
H. Augusta Lund,	800 00	
Fred E. Fields,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$13,775 00

Interest.

Souhegan National Banks,	\$123 33	
H. M. Burnham, Admrx.,	72 99	
Kate J. Shannahan,	134 66	
A. G. Skilton,	57 97	
Emily E. Pierce,	29 69	
N. H. Shepard,	31 06	
Pamelia A. Fretts,	50 50	
H. Augusta Lund,	92 67	
Fred E. Fields,	3 64	
Hannah E. Webster,	30 00	
C. L. Trow.	10 80	
	<hr/>	\$637 31

Registered Water bonds,	400 00	
Coupon bonds,	2,540 00	
" "	1,810 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,750 00

Schools.

Appropriation,	\$11,000 00	
" Laurel school and house,	1,000 00	
District note and interest,	2,080 00	
Literary fund,	384 60	
Dog license,	292 25	
	<hr/>	\$14,756 85

Town Library.

Appropriation,	\$900 00	
Interest on Gay fund,	250 00	
“ on Nancy Averill fund,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,151 00

Memorial Day.

Appropriation, F. P. Hood, treasurer,	\$100 00
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Fire Department.

J. A. Brahaney, treasurer,	\$800 00	
New hose,	290 00	
Freight and cartage,	1 17	
	<hr/>	\$1,091 17

Cemeteries.

Wm. M. Knowlton, treasurer,	\$190 32
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Water.

Hydrant service,	\$2,665 00	
Drinking fountains,	60 00	
Town house,	88 00	
Flushing sewers,	18 56	
	<hr/>	\$2,831 56

Electric Lighting.

Streets,	\$1,066 28	
Town house and postoffice,	224 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,290 28
Dec. and Jan. bills in litigation,	\$290 32.	

Police Department.

F. A. Dodge,	\$597 04	
J. G. McDarmid,	2 00	
Frank Sears,	2 00	
C. E. Marvell,	2 00	
Adney Sawyer,	-2 00	
J. L. Langdell,	2 00	
M. R. Burnham,	2 00	
L. C. Hall,	2 00	
J. E. Hodlin,	7 00	
B. E. James,	4 00	
Geo. F. Hawkins,	24 59	
Geo. A. McIntire,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$648 63

Police Court.

A. L. Keyes, salary,	\$87 46	
G A Worcester, special justice,	20 00	
J. P. Melzer, printing,	1 25	
Assistance for officers,	15 54	
Food for prisoners,	12 75	
Mileage for prisoners to Grasmere,	28 28	
“ “ “ “ jail,	4 53	
Expense in Bills case,	3 00	
“ “ Kelley case,	5 89	
F. A. Dodge, services conveying prisoners,	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$196 70

Police Register.

Eco Magneto Clock Co., clock,	\$68 25	
Geo. L. Darricott, labor on boxes,	18 00	
F. A. Douglas, “	11 63	
Chas. Caldwell, “	4 72	
Joseph Gouette “	3 00	
J. F. Grafton, poles,	4 25	
Anchor Electric Co., wire,	12 20	
W. F. French, hardware,	6 43	
French & Heald, pattern,	3 40	
J. T. & E. B. Burns, cross arms,	1 80	
W. Highton & Son, castings,	8 75	
G. A. Worcester, material,	5 57	
E. M. Parker, teaming,	80	
	<hr/>	\$148 80

Printing.

W. B. Rotch,	\$149 25	
J. P. Melzer,	10 40	
E. M. Stanyan,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$163 65

Janitor of Town House.

B. E. James,	\$ 66 70	
A. A. Simonds,	333 30	
	<hr/>	\$400 00

Insurance.

Wm. M. Knowlton,	\$47 00	
A. L. Keyes,	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$95 00

Town House Supplies.

B. R. Came & Son, coal,	\$123 74	
Merrill Bros. “	175 07	
“ “ wood,	3 94	
Gilbert & Barker, gasolene,	27 55	
John McLane, “	2 38	
E. M. Parker, freight and teaming,	3 99	
G. A. Avery, supplies,	9 32	
C. B. Dodge, “	9 37	
W. F. French, “	4 69	
A. A. Simonds, “	60	
J. T. & E. B. Burns, wood,	2 60	
B. E. James, sawdust,	1 37	
Hutchinson & Averill, supplies,	12 37	
J. E. Webster, clock,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$380 99

Town House Repairs.

W. F. French,	\$22 32	
W. L. Winslow,	21 45	
J. T. & E. B. Burns,	8 20	
C. L. Manning,	9 34	
J. A. Mixer,	32 72	
French & Heald,	7 50	
Kenney & Burns,	1 75	
Peter Bitney,	1 75	
David Dube,	3 00	
Ed. Black,	1 50	
Joseph Gouette,	75	
I. H. Carlton,	1 10	
J. E. Webster,	1 00	
G. A. Worcester,	3 85	
G. A. Avery, fence, smoke stack, etc.,	104 25	
Lowell Boiler Works, grates, etc.,	26 72	
S. E. Johnson, cementing cellar,	16 70	
	<hr/>	\$263 90

Miscellaneous.

Geo. H. Allen, surveying Amherst street and plan,	\$62 52
Geo. H. Barrett, Board of surveyors,	10 00
Bartlett & Gay, surveying Amherst street and plan,	10 62

L. L. Junkins, surveying,	29 25
E. I. Kendall, retainer,	25 00
“ “ making deed,	1 00
D. W. King, recording deed,	62
Geo. A. Raymond, land taken for highway,	10 00
Smith's Bookstore, tax collector's book,	3 00
E. C. Eastman, blank warrants,	63
J. M. Stickney, repairs on hearse,	2 30
F. W. Sawyer, postage, etc.,	1 70
F. B. Wilkins, laying pipe,	5 00
F. W. Farnsworth, supplies,	2 58
Geo. A. Worcester, expense to Manchester	
two times, to settle with county,	3 50
Geo. A. Worcester, expense to settle with	
state,	2 34
Geo. A. Worcester, expense to Manchester	
to meet State Board of Equalization,	1 93
Mrs. Ordway, mending town flag,	50
Geo. F. Hawkins, killing dog,	1 00
Eugene L. Nelson, hens killed by dogs,	17 50
John McLane, new ballot box,	7 50
Mrs. C. L. Trow, copying records,	5 00
Hutchinson & Averill, food for tramps,	10 25
G. A. Worcester, postage, etc.,	4 74

For 1898.

James M. Laws, permits of burials and	
removals,	12 00
James M. Laws, reporting vital statistics,	27 15
“ “ “ abstract for town report,	5 00
“ “ “ obtaining names of children,	14 75
“ “ “ looking up 3 unreported births,	75
“ “ “ postage, stationery, etc.,	6 02
“ “ “ permits of burials and re-	
movals,	11 10
“ “ “ reporting vital statistics,	24 75
“ “ “ abstract for town report,	5 00
“ “ “ obtaining names of children,	18 00
“ “ “ reporting one birth,	25
“ “ “ postage, stationery, etc.,	5 40
Mary A. Lull, reporting births,	25
J. W. Finerty, “ “ and deaths,	75
E. Wason, “ “ “	3 50

W. H. W. Hinds, “ “ “	5 75	
H. S. Hutchinson, “ “ “	13 00	
C. L. Higgins, “ “ “	1 50	
W. J. O'Connor, return of marriage certificates,	50	
F. L. Knapp, “ “ “	1 50	
Geo. F. Marshall, “ “ “	2 25	
B. F. Tuck, “ “ “	75	
	<hr/>	\$378 40

Water Tubs.

Nathan Merrill, 1897, 1898,	\$6 00	
C. A. Webster,	3 00	
P. C. Colby,	3 00	
E. L. Hodgman,	3 00	
T. Holland,	3 00	
G. D. Armstrong,	3 00	
S. B. Cotton estate,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00

Highways.

C. A. Jenkins, Agent,	\$5,137 31
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Town Poor.

Mrs. Horace Peabody,	\$139 00	
Hartwell Green,	54 57	
Mrs. Hartwell Green,	127 14	
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Town Soldiers' Aid.

H. L. Robbins,	\$ 96 00	
A. K. Lewis,	116 00	
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County Soldiers' Aid.

Henry Manning,	\$21 00	
D. M. Perham,	2 01	
Mrs. B. Ryan,	61 63	
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County Poor.

A. A. Gilbert,	\$125 83	
J. H. and M. E. Hutchinson,	\$157 27	
Nancy Sargent,	94 54	
Jennie Wellman,	94 54	
David W. Duncklee,	78 00	
Bezie Rogers' family,	110 79	

A. W. Ludwig,	16 38	
Mrs. Annie Smith,	117 50	
Moses Chase and wife,	137 00	
Lizzie Darling,	30 97	
Mrs. C. C. Bartlett's family,	60 00	
Mrs. James O. Hanlon,	30 00	
Charles Bellows,	104 20	
Mrs. E. E. Johnson (\$62 of this in 1897-8,)	161 00	
Matt Jaaska,	35 07	
Milo Clair,	21 00	
Mrs. Owen O'Brien,	25 00	
John B. Rosazzi,	3 00	
Kate Cullen,	7 00	
Mary Cooley,	24 00	
Ed. Bartle,	2 50	
H. Noble,	2 00	
Mary A. Clem,	4 00	
Warren Ames,	4 00	
Edward Sheehan,	4 00	
Tracy,	3 35	
Mrs. Wm. Harwood,	30	
Joseph Burbee, Sr.,	18 00	
Mrs. H. Searles,	9 00	
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Merrimack County Poor.

Mary Emery,	\$124 85
" " 1898 report,	\$27 00
Received of Merrimack Co.,	151 85

Board of Health.

B. F. Foster,	term expires 1900.
W. H. W. Hinds,	" " 1899.
G. A. Worcester,	" " 1901.

Expenses.

B. F. Foster,	\$116 30
W. H. W. Hinds,	26 00
" " examination of children for vaccination,	8 00
" " vaccination of poor children,	3 00
Amoskeag Mfg. Co., fumigating machine,	10 00
W. F. French, supplies,	31 06
G. A. Avery, "	60

E. N. Pearson,	3 00
E. M. Stanyan,	7 15
E. Wason, M. D., consultations,	2 00
H. S. Hutchinson, M. D.,	2 00

Quarentine Cases.

Milo Clair,	43 06
J. K. Winslow,	38 23
Mrs. H. Searles,	19 81
A. Maddox,	19 17
Mrs. Ida Hager,	11 01
Eugene Cobleigh,	12 00
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	\$352 39

Town Team.

Brooks Pierson labor,	\$520 00
Henry Wilson, 5670 lbs. hay,	45 36
Kendall & Wilkins, hay, feed and bedding,	125 90
James Shannahan, barn rent,	50 00
W. J. Prince, shoeing and repairs,	20 35
Milford Water Works, water,	6 00
J. C. Lease, repairs to harness,	2 00
Brooks Piersons, harness oil,	50
W. F. French, supplies,	75
J. T. Ellis, hay,	7 42
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	\$778 28

Received for Town Team.

C. A. Jenkins, Road Agent,	\$825 45
John Hadlock,	6 75
C. B. Dodge,	3 50
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	\$835 70

Abatements of Taxes.

H. F. Warren, for 1894,	\$178 67
J. M. Burdick, for 1896,	449 30
J. H. Fay, for 1897,	144 50
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	\$772 47

Town Officers.

F. W. Sawyer, treas and trustee of sinking funds,	\$ 72 92
F. T. Sawyer, " " "	52 08
James M. Laws, town clerk in 1897-8,	70 82
" " " " 1898-9,	85 00

Geo. A. Worcester, selectman,	275 00	
Walker R. Fitch, “	200 00	
Clarence L. Trow, “	200 00	
John McLane, moderator,	5 00	
C. E. Knight, auditor,	10 00	
C. S. Emerson, “	10 00	
J. H. Fay, tax collector,	250 00	
“ “ supervisor,	13 00	
Geo. A. McIntire, “	13 00	
F. B. Bartlett, “	13 00	
John A. Twiss, ballot inspector,	5 00	
E. I. Kendall, “ “	5 00	
J. W. Finerty,	5 00	
E. Stickney,	5 00	
B. F. Foster, sexton,	144 00	
	<hr/>	\$1438 82

February 18, 1899.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. WORCESTER,
WALKER R. FITCH,
CLARENCE L. TROW.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1899.

F. T. SAWYER, Treasurer to July 14, 1898, succeeded by F. W. Sawyer, Treasurer, *in account with*

TOWN OF MILFORD.

DR.

To amounts received as follows:

Balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1898,		\$2898 55
Taxes assessed 1898,	40,382 05	
Uncollected taxes, 1896,	315 71	
“ “ 1897,	2791 03	
Interest and taxes assessed after May, 1, '97,	165 53	
Insurance tax,	246 75	
Railroad tax,	1047 34	
Savings Bank tax,	2611 64	
Literary Fund,	384 60	
County of Hillsborough,	1600 91	
Town team,	835 70	
Licenses,	7 50	
Licenses on dogs,	329 82	
Riverside Cemetery lots sold,	225 00	
Police Court fines, etc.,	411 76	
Rents and heating and lighting,	2171 72	
Milford Water Works, int. on water bonds,	3000 00	
“ “ “ sinking fund,	1200 00	
“ “ “ surplus,	1800 00	
Souhegan National Bank, amt. borrowed of	6000 00	
Hannah E. Webster, “ “ “	1500 00	
Clarence L. Trow, “ “ “	540 00	
Fred E. Fields, “ “ “	200 00	
Cemetery lot in No. 3 sold,	10 00	
Levi Curtis Estate Cemetery Trust Fund,	35 00	
Geo. H. Lund “ “ “	50 00	
Taxes, assessment of 1894,	153 84	

Interest on taxes of 1894,	26 83
“ “ “ “ 1896,	7 69
Abatements in 1898 on acct. of 1896 tax,	125 90
Rec'd on acct. of H. Green note,	99 00
“ “ “ “ sewers,	25 50
Merrimack County Mary Emery acct.,	151 85
Unexpended bal. of Federal Hill school house appropriation,	2 96
C. J. Gutterson, road agent 1897 acct.,	20
Sale of old junk,	36 00
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	\$71,390 38

CR.

By amounts paid as follows:

Orders for town expenses,	\$20,861 33
“ “ “ state tax,	4194 75
“ “ “ county tax,	5457 90
“ “ “ school appropriation,	14,080 00
“ “ “ debt and interest,	19,142 31
“ “ “ fire department,	1090 00
“ “ “ literary fund paid to school board,	384 60
“ “ “ dog licenses,	292 25
Uncollected taxes, 1898,	3366 18
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	\$68,869 32
Balance in town treasury,	2,521 06
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	\$71,390 38

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. SAWYER, Treas.

February 18, 1899.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched. We have also examined the Sinking Fund Securities and find them as reported.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

Financial Standing of the Town of Milford at the Close of Business, Feb. 15, 1899.

LIABILITIES.

Notes payable Feb. 15, 1898,	\$7575 00	
Amounts borrowed during the year:		
Sauhegan National Bank,	6000 00	
Hannah E. Webster,	1500 00	
Clarence L. Trow,	540 00	
Fred E. Fields,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$15,815 00

LESS

Notes paid during the year:		
Souhegan National Bank,	\$6000 00	
Fred E. Fields,	200 00	
N. H. Shepard,	500 00	
Emily D. Pierce,	500 00	
D. S. Burnham estate,	2000 00	
Kate J. Shannehan,	2000 00	
Parmelia R. Fretts,	775 00	
H. Augusta Lund,	800 00	
Ada G. Skilton,	1000 00	
	<hr/>	\$13,775 00
Total notes payable other than trust funds,		2,040 00
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Hannah E. Webster,	\$1500 00	
Clarence L. Trow,	540 00	
	<hr/>	\$2040 00

TRUST FUNDS.

Ezra M. Gay in trust for library,	\$5000 00	
Nancy Averill " "	20 00	
Cemetery trust funds,	1410 00	
	<hr/>	\$6430 00
Coupons outstanding,		290 00
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Total liabilities other than bonded debt,		\$8760 00

ASSETS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1899,	\$2521 06
Amount due for rents,	245 91
" " from Hillsborough County,	188 48
" " from sewer assessments,	90 00
" " on H. Green note,	61 00
Town team,	400 00

Uncollected taxes, 1898,	3366 18	
	<hr/>	\$6872 63
Bal. of liabilities over assets,		1887 37
		<hr/>
		\$8760 00
Net indebtedness, Feb. 15, 1898,	\$7170 49	
“ “ “ 15, 1899,	1887 37	
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Decrease in floating debt for the year,	\$5283 12	

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. SAWYER, *Treasurer.*

NOTE—Frederick T. Sawyer was treasurer of the town up the time of his death, July 14, 1898.

Report of Sinking Funds.

F. T. SAWYER, Treasurer, to July 14, 1898, succeeded by

F. W. SAWYER, Treasurer, *in account with*

Milford Water Bonds Sinking Funds

DR.

To amount received as follows :

Cash uninvested as per last report,	\$16 81	
Interest on 3,000 Town Milford Reg. Bonds,	120 00	
" " 2,500 " " Coupon " "	100 00	
" " 1,850 " " U. S. Bonds,		
4's, 1907, Reg.	74 00	
Interest on 1000 U. S. Bonds 4's, 1907,		
coupon,	40 00	
Annual appropriation,	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,550 81

CR.

By amounts paid as follows :

\$1000 Town of Laconia, N. H., 4 per cent.		
Bond,	\$1,113 11	
Loaned to School Bond Sinking Fund,		
4 per cent.,	120 00	
Deposited in the Palmer, Mass., Savings		
Bank,	300 00	
Balance on hand uninvested,	17 70	
	<hr/>	\$1,550 81
Less balance as per last report,		16 81
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Net increase of Water Bond Sinking Fund,		\$1,534 00

School Bonds Sinking Fund.

DR.

To amounts received as follows :

Cash uninvested as per last report,	\$25 11	
Interest on 2000 Town of Milford Bonds,	80 00	
" 500 U. S. coupon 4's, 1907,	20 00	
" 100 " " " " "	4 00	
" 500 " reg. " "	20 00	
Annual appropriation, 1898,	800 00	
Amount borrowed from Water Bond Sink-		
ing Fund,	120 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,069 11

CR.

By amounts paid as follows :

1000 Town of Haverhill, N. H., 4 per cent.

Bonds,	\$1,068 44
Balance on hand uninvested,	67

\$1,069 11

Less balance from last report, 25 11

Less amount due Water Loan Sinking Fund, 120 00

\$145 11

Net increase of School Bond Sinking Fund, 1898,

\$924 00

Summary of Sinking Funds Account.

Water Loan Bonds Sinking Fund :

Amount of Fund Feb. 15, 1898, \$9 414 53

Additions to the Fund for the year :

1000 Laconia, N. H., 4 per cent. Bond, \$1,113 11

Deposited in Palmer, Mass., Savings Bank, 300 00

Loan to School Bond Sinking Fund, 120 00

Cash uninvested, 17 70

Total, \$1,550 81

Less cash as per former report, 16 81

Net increase of Fund, 1898,

\$1,534 00

Total Water Bond Sinking Fund, Feb. 15, 1899,

\$10,948 53

School Bonds Sinking Fund.

Amount of Fund Feb. 15, 1898,

\$3420 00

Additions to the Fund for the year :

\$1000 Haverhill, N. H., 4 per cent. bond, \$1,068 44

Cash uninvested, 67

Total, \$1,069 11

Less cash on hand, as per former report, 25 11

\$1,044 00Less amount borrowed of Water Bond
Sinking fund,120 00

Net increase of fund, 1898,

\$924 00

Total School Bond Sinking Fund,

\$4,344 00

Schedule of Sinking Fund Securities.

Water Loan fund:		
U. S. Government Bonds,	\$3,219 77	
Town of Milford School Bonds,	1,630 00	
“ “ Registered Bonds,	3,000 00	
“ “ Water “	1,002 67	
“ Laconia, N. H., 4 per cent. Bonds,	1,113 11	
Deposit in Palmer, Mass., Savings Bank,	300 00	
“ Milford Savings Bank,	545 28	
Loan to School Bond Sinking Fund, 4 per ct.,	120 00	
Cash on hand uninvested,	17 70	
	<hr/>	\$10,948 53

School Loan Fund.

U. S. Government Bonds,	\$1,238 89	
Town of Milford School Bonds,	1,086 00	
“ “ Water “	1,070 00	
“ Haverhill, N. H., 4 per cent. Bonds,	1,068 44	
Cash on hand uninvested,	67	
	<hr/>	\$4,464 00
Less amount due Water Bond Sinking Fund,		120 00
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		\$4,344 00

Statement of Bonded Debt Account.

Balance Coupon Water Bonds, Feb. 15,		
1898,	\$55,585 47	
Less net increase of Sinking Fund,	1,534 00	
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Balance coupon Water Bonds, Feb. 15, 1899,		\$54,051 47
Balance School Bonds, Feb. 15, 1898,	\$41,580 00	
Less net increase of Sinking Fund	924 00	
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Balance School Bonds, Feb. 15, 1899.		\$40,656
Registered Water Bonds, no sinking fund.		10,000 00
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Net indebtedness Feb. 15, 1899,		\$104,707 47
Decrease during the year,		2,458 00

F. W. SAWYER, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF POLICE COURT.

Since the last annual report, 66 criminal cases and 9 civil cases have been considered by the court. With one or two exceptions, the criminal cases were all based upon offences against the police of towns.

Under an arrangement made by the selectmen with the night watchman, he is allowed no fees as in former years, but all fees are turned over to the town. The amount charged in the following account to Mr. F. A. Dodge, is for actual cash paid out or fees that were due him in cases that arose before the above arrangement was made.

Following is the financial statement for the year ending Feb. 15, 1899 :

Financial Statement,

Receipts :

Cash on hand,	\$ 9 00	
Fines and fees,	707 43	
Entry fees and executions,	5 01	
Writs,	2 25	
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		\$723 69

Disbursements :

E. I. Kendall, complaints and warrants,	64 50
F. W. Ordway, sheriff's fees,	68 40
C. E. Knight, complaints and warrants,	12 00
Geo. F. Hawkins, officer's fees,	15 84
A. A. Simonds, " "	9 86
F. A. Dodge, officer's fees and cash paid,	38 34
B. E. James, officer's fees,	1 50
E. L. Kittredge, complaint and warrant,	1 50
Chester C. Wilkins, witness fee,	77
A. L. Keyes, extra services as Justice,	2 00
Town of Mason, one-half of fines in liquor cases,	60 00
Cash paid private citizens, assisting officers by request,	2 50

Paid into town treasury,	\$411 76	\$688 97
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Cash on hand,		34 72

There is due from the County of Hillsborough, net fees to the amount of \$77.95, which we had hoped to include in this account.

By the accounts of the selectmen it appears that the salaries of the justices and the extra compensation of officers under the arrangement mentioned above amounts to \$296.70. Deducting this from \$411.76 turned over to the town, it appears that the net profit of the court for the past year is \$115.06.

A. L. KEYES, *Justice.*

G. A. WORCESTER, *Associate Justice.*

MILFORD, N. H., Feb. 20, 1899.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,

C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES.

TOWN OF MILFORD, PERMANENT CARE OF LOTS,
in account with TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES. DR.

1898.

Nov. 29.	William Endicott lot,	\$3 25	
	Fanny C. Hayward lot,	1 00	
	L. F. Warner lot,	2 25	
	Sarah A. Daniels lot,	1 25	
	Luther Hutchinson lot,	1 50	
	H. Eldridge lot,	2 25	
	Martha Woolson lot,	1 25	
	J A. Twitchell lot,	1 25	
	Susan Pierson lot,	2 25	
	Caroline B. Harris lot,	1 50	
	Hannah Temple lot,	1 75	
	“ “ “ 1897,	1 25	
	C. K. Hutchinson lot,	1 25	
	E. B. Blake lot,	1 00	
	—— Wadsworth lot,	1 25	
	Lucy A. Needham lot,	1 25	
	Asa P. Burns lot,	3 00	
	Emily Ball lot,	1 25	
			\$29 75

CR.

Dec. 3.	By selectmen's order on town treasurer,	29 75
	CARE OF OLD, WEST, SOUTH AND NORTH YARDS.	

DR.

Sept. 9.	Paid I. H. Carlton, repairing and resetting headstones,	\$31 00
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CR.

Dec. 3.	By selectmen's order on town treasurer,	31 00
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TOWN OF MILFORD

in account with TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES. CR.

Feb. 15, 1899.	By cash sale of two lots in No. 3,	\$10 00
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Dr.

Feb. 15, 1899. To cash paid town treasurer, \$10 00

TOWN OF MILFORD, "RIVERSIDE,"

in account with TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES. Dr.

1898.

Feb. 28.	To paid J. M. Laws, town clerk,		
	recording deeds,	\$1 25	
June 14.	" " Henry S. Wilson, labor,	22 80	
30,	" " A. N. Shepard, labor and		
	expense,	7 55	
July 9,	" " N. D. Wright, labor,	19 78	
9,	" " L. N. Wright, labor,	21 65	
Aug. 20,	" " L. N. Wright, labor,	12 36	
30,	" " E. C. Towne, labor,	5 00	
30,	" " A. N. Shepard,	3 75	
Oct. 1,	" " L. N. Wright,	4 00	
		<hr/>	\$98 14

1898.

Cr.

July 9,	By selectmen's orders on town		
	treasurer,	\$50 23	
23,	" " " " " "	22 80	
Oct. 1,	" " " " " "	25 11	
		<hr/>	\$98 14

CASH RECEIVED FOR LOTS SOLD.

1898.

Dr.

June 30,	A. N. Shepard,	\$25 00
Aug. 3,	Andrew Murphy,	25 00
Oct. 29,	C. L. Emerson,	25 00
29,	F. F. Abbott,	25 00
Nov. 3,	J. H. Fay,	25 00
26,	Walter B. Merrill,	25 00

1899.

Feb. 13,	Joel H. Fisher,	25 00
13,	Albert Heald,	25 00
15,	E. A. MacCrillis,	25 00
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\$225 00

1899.

Cr.

Feb. 15,	By paid F. W. Sawyer, town treasurer,	
	as per vouchers,	\$225 00
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February 18, 1899.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. M. KNOWLTON,
WALKER R. FITCH,

Trustees of Cemeteries

HIGHWAY AGENT'S REPORT

CLARENCE J. GUTTERSON, Road Agent,

In Account with TOWN OF MILFORD.

DR.

Received of town treasurer, as per order of
selectmen,

\$569 02

CR.

February, 1898.

C. J. Gutterson,	8 days, 6 hours,	\$2 00	\$17 20
team,	3 " 8 "	4 00	15 20
horse,	3 " 0 "	1 00	3 00
C. L. Kendall,	2 " 6 1-2 "	2 00	5 30
team,	2 " 8 "	4 00	11 20
man,	17 "	1 50	25 50
H. H. Parker,	2 " 1 1 2 "	2 00	4 30
team,	1 " 1 "	4 00	4 40
men,	7 " 2 "	1 50	10 80
W. J. Bills, team,	4 " 9 "	4 00	19 60
men,	10 " 1-2 "	1 50	15 08
G. R. Hartshorn, team,	2 " 0 "	4 00	8 00
men,	4 " 5 5-6 "	1 50	6 87
boy,	0 " 3 "	1 00	30
James A. Casey, plowing,	1 " 7 "	3 50	5 95
shoveling,	20 " 3 "	1 50	30 45
Geo. Buckley,	1 " 4 "	1 50	2 10
W. W. Grafton,	2 " 0 "	1 50	3 00
Edward Butler,	0 " 8 "	1 50	1 20
Richard Butler,	2 " 1 "	1 50	3 15
Chas. H. Morse,	1 " 0 "	1 00	1 00
Wm. A. Cheyne,	0 " 3 "	1 50	45
H. J. Wilson, team,	2 " 3 "	4 00	9 20
men,	6 " 3 1-2 "	1 50	9 53
Zoel Casavant,	1 " 0 "	1 50	1 50
Alonzo Green,	1 " 5 "	1 50	2 25
Daniel Biziel,	1 " 4 "	1 50	2 10
Timothy Holland, team,	1 " 9 1-2 "	4 00	7 80

L. H. Farnsworth,	0 days	2 1-2	hours,	1 50	38
E. T. Bartle,	0	"	2 1-2	" 1 50	38
Wm. Burnham,	4	"	3	" 1 50	6 45
Sam. Joyal,	0	"	9	" 1 50	1 35
F. S. Keyser,	1	"	9	" 1 50	2 85
Lars Larson,	1	"	2 1-2	" 1 50	1 85
Peter Larson,	1	"	5	" 1 50	2 25
N. Perham,	2	"	5	" 2 00	5 00
plowing,	1	"	7 1-4	" 3 50	6 04
men,	8	"	1	" 1 50	12 15
John H. Seppala,	2	"	0	" 1 50	3 00
J. Fitzgerald,	2	"	0	" 1 50	3 00
Hemmel Baum,	0	"	8 1-2	" 1 50	1 27
Arthur Hood,	0	"	7	" 1 50	1 05
A. R. Burnham,	0	"	7	" 1 50	1 05
Geo. Raymond,	0	"	6	" 1 50	90
H. O'Connor,	0	"	7 1-2	" 1 50	1 12
Geo. Woodward,	0	"	8 1-2	" 2 00	1 70
team,	4	"	4	" 4 00	17 60
men,	12	"	8 1-2	" 1 50	19 28
Milford Water Works,					1 80
Thomas Winters,					8 00
W. L. Winslow,					34 64
A. R. Howisen, pipe,					5 76
C. Sanderson,	1	"	9	" 1 50	2 85
Will F. Wright,	1	"	5	" 1 50	2 25
Everett Hutchinson,	1	"	5	" 1 50	2 25
Walter Hutchinson,	1	"	5	" 1 50	2 25
J. F. Grafton,					32 09
C. A. Jenkins,					62 00
Edward Frost,					4 00
Town team,	14	"	4	" 4 00	57 60
E. Doucet,	11	"	4	" 1 50	17 10
W. Symonds,			8	" 1 50	1 20
J. B. Burt,	1	"	4	" 1 50	2 10
team,			9	" 4 00	3 60
Cowdrey and Lackey,					12 00
David Dube,	1	"	6	" 1 50	2 40

 \$569 02

CHARLES A. JENKINS, *In account with* TOWN OF MILFORD.

DR.

Received of town treasurer, as per order of
selectmen,

\$227 52

CR.

March, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	7 days, 1-2 hour,	\$2 00	\$14 10
team,	3 " 2 "	3 50	11 20
horse,			4 00
man,	7 "	1 50	1 05
Fred Jones, team,	6 " 1 "	3 50	21 35
" "	1 " 4 "	1 50	2 10
man,	4 " 1 1-2 "	1 50	6 22
W. F. French, snow shovels,			1 40
John Boucher,	1 " 7 "	1 50	2 55
E. Blair,	8 "	1 50	1 20
J. Castleow,	8 "	1 50	1 20
H. S. Gilson,	2 " "	1 50	3 00
John Blanchard,	8 "	1 50	1 20
E. B. Hall,	1 " "		1 50
team,	4 "	4 00	1 60
C. J. Gutterson,	3 " "	2 00	6 00
team,	2 " "	3 50	7 00
D. K. Melendy,	6 1-4 "	1 50	94
H. P. Odell,	3 " "	1 50	4 50
C. H. Gault,	24 " 1 "	1 50	36 15
H. H. Parker, team,	5 1-2 "	4 00	2 20
self,	4 "	2 00	80
shoveling,	1 " 8 "	1 50	2 70
G. N. Woodward, team,	6 "	4 00	2 40
G. E. Clark,	5 1-2 "	1 50	82
R. C. Bartlett,	5 "	1 50	75
N. Perham, labor,			1 04
S. A. Lovejoy, team,	2 " 4 1-2 "	4 00	9 80
man,	1 " "	1 50	1 50
J. M. Stickney, repair tools,			90
Town team,	5 " 5 "	4 00	22 00
" "	13 " "	3 50	45 50
Smith Berry, repairing tools,			8 85

\$227 52

DR.

Received of town treasurer, as per order of
selectmen,

\$357 07

CR.

April, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	19 days, 8 hours,	\$2 00	\$39 60
team,	16 " 7 "	3 50	58 45
horse,			4 00
C. H. Gault,	20 " 9 "	1 50	31 35
H. P. Odell,	21 " 1 "	1 50	31 65
Town team,	19 " 3 "	3 50	67 55
C. A. Riddle,	17 " 9 "	1 50	26 85
Wm. Bitney,	18 " 8 "	1 50	28 20
W. L. Winslow, team,	3 "	3 50	1 05
John Kimball,	6 "	1 50	90
Fred Jones,	7 " 3 "	1 50	10 95
team,	5 " 1 "	3 50	17 85
W. J. Prince, sharpening drills,			10
Kendall & Wilkins, hoe, two shovels,			1 60
Kidder & Whitney, four steel rakes,		50	2 00
W. F. French, four shovels, two pick handles,			3 78
George Hartshorn, team,			1 50
C. L. Kendall,	6 days, 1 hour,	1 50	9 15
man,	2 " 5 "	1 50	3 75
team,	3 " 1 1-2 "	3 50	11 02
C. P. Colby,	1 " 7 "	1 50	2 55
C. H. Colby,	1 " 7 1-2 "	1 50	2 62
Powder and fuse,			65
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			\$357 07

DR.

Received of town treasurer, as per order of selectmen,

\$437 47

CR.

May, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	22 days.	\$2 00	\$44 00
horse,			4 00
team,	20 " 5 "	3 50	71 75
town team,	20 " 7 "	3 50	72 45
man,	7 "	1 50	1 05
C. A. Riddle,	18 " 8 "	1 50	28 20
Wm. Bitney,	20 " 6 "	1 50	30 90

C. H. Gault,	19 days, 6 hours,	1 50	\$29 40
W. W. Grafton,	18 " 7 "	1 50	28 05
Fred Jones, team,	9 "	3 50	3 15
self,	1 " 5 "	1 50	2 25
John Bishop,	9 "	1 50	1 35
G. N. Woodward,	9 "	1 50	1 35
team,	9 "	3 50	3 15
C. Nichols, team,	1 1 2 "	3 50	53
self,	1 "		1 50
F. Young,	9 "	1 50	1 35
G. N. Woodward,	4 "	1 50	6 00
Use of drills and sharpening,		1 50	78
W. Q. Young,	8 "	1 50	12 00
C. Nichols,	4 "	1 50	6 00
R. Ripley,	4 "	1 50	6 00
E Mayo,	1 "		1 50
Walworth Co., railing,			34 01
American Express Co., on castings,			30
Parker, delivering railing,			30
W. H. Wilson, putting up railing,			12 00
B. & M. R. R., freight on railing,			1 26
Murphy Bros. & Pond, one cap stone,			1 00
Kendall & Wilkins, one shovel,			65
W. F. French, goods,			2 45
G. F. Parker, paving stone,			2 50
J. M. Stickney, repair of drills and chains,			34
C. B. Dodge, two hammer handles,			50
H. Thompson, labor on canal bridge, Pine Valley,			9 25
J. Grafton, 30 yards concrete gutters,		50	15 00
team, 4 hours,		30	1 20
			<hr/> \$437 47

DR.

Received of the town treasurer, as per order of
selectmen,

\$507 15

CR.

June, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	24 days, 5 hours,	\$2 00	\$49 00
horse,			4 00
team,	26 " 4 "	3 50	92 40
Town team,	24 " 4 "	3 50	85 40
Wm. Bitney,	23 " 9 "	1 50	35 85

W. W. Grafton,	24 days, 2	hours,	1 50	\$36 30
C. Riddle,	24	"	1 50	36 00
C. H. Gault,	24	" 6	" 1 50	36 90
C. L. Kendall,	2	" 8	" 1 50	4 20
team,		3	" 3 50	1 05
Fred Jones, team,		5	" 3 50	1 75
man,	1	" 7	" 1 50	2 55
G. N. Woodward, team,	2	"	3 50	7 00
self,	1	"		1 50
Repairs of tools,				30
W. Q. Young,	3	" 5	" 1 50	5 25
R. Ripley,	2	" 5	" 1 50	3 75
C. Nichols,	1	"		1 50
J. Grafton, concrete work,				9 55
breaking roads,				1 00
Ordway & Kendall, axle oil,				25
J. M. Stickney, sharpening drills,				15
J. F. Savage, team,	1	"	3 50	3 50
man,	1	"	1 50	1 50
A. Howison, Akron pipe,				30 96
Smith Berry, lumber,				1 25
H. J. Wilson, team,		3	" 3 50	1 05
labor,		6	" 1 50	90
T. Holland,	3	"	1 50	4 50
Charles Robbins, bridge plank,				5 64
Hannaford Thompson, timber				
Pine Valley bridge,				39 20
D. Dube, work on stone,				3 00
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				\$507 15

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Received of the town treasurer, as
per selectmen's order, \$331 68

CR.

July, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	20	"	\$2 00	\$40 00
team,	16	"	3 50	56 00
horse,				4 00
man,	2	"	1 50	3 00
Town team,	22	" 8	" 3 50	79 80
C. H. Gault,	22	" 8	" 1 50	34 20
C. A. Riddle,	11	" 2	" 1 50	16 80

William Bitney,	13 days, 2 hours,	1 50	\$19 80
W. Grafton,	15 " 2 "	1 50	22 80
C. J. Gutterson, team,	1 "	3 50	3 50
Self,	1 "		1 50
Cross & Tolles, plank,			34 48
B. & M. R. R., freight on plank,			2 75
Smith Berry, repairs of tools,			70
W. F. French, 2 shovels and bolts,			2 32
J. M. Stickney, repairs of tools,			
work on grate,			4 05
F. Hartshorn, lumber,			4 23
A Merrill, drag plank,			1 75
			<hr/> \$331 68

DR.

Received of the town treasurer,		
as per order of selectmen,		\$526 82

CR

August, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	25 "		\$2 00	\$50 00
horse,				5 00
team,	25 "	9 "	3 50	90 65
man,	5 "	5 "	1 50	8 25
Town team,	25 "		3 50	87 50
William Bitney,	25 "	2 "	1 50	37 80
C. H. Gault,	25 "	2 "	1 50	37 80
C. A. Riddle,	23 "	3 "	1 50	34 95
W. W. Grafton,	25 "	1 "	1 50	37 65
W. L. Winslow, work and supplies,				13 00
Smith Berry, repairing tools,				2 80
L. K. Hutchinson, gravel,				1 50
N. Perham, stone,				6 00
W. F. French, 3 shovels, 1 pick				
handle, 1 scythe, twine, etc.,				3 96
J. M. Stickney, repairing tools,				2 15
Concord Foundry Co., 2 grates,				8 00
Freight on grates, B. & M. R. R.,				42
John B. Varick Co., road plow,				20 00
W. H. Wilson, iron railing and				
labor,				35 22
W. J. Prince, repairing tools, etc.,				4 50
" " " "				20

C. E. Robbins, bridge plank,					\$7 72
J. F. Savage,	9 days,			1 50	13 50
team,				3 50	2 10
C. L. Kendall,	10 "	5 hours,		1 50	15 75
team,		4 "		3 50	1 40
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					\$527 82

DR.

Received of the town treasurer,					
as per order of selectmen,					\$367 65

CR.

September, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	21 "			\$2 00	\$42 00
horse,					4 00
team,	13 "	1 "		3 50	45 85
man,	2 "	5 "		1 50	3 75
H. P. Odell,	1 "	2 "		1 50	1 80
Town team,	22 "	8 "		3 50	79 80
William Bitney,	15 "			1 50	22 50
C. A. Riddle,	13 "	9 "		1 50	20 85
C. H. Gault,	12 "	7 "		1 50	19 05
W. W. Grafton,	14 "	7 "		1 50	22 05
Stevens Granite Co., 243 feet					
edgestone,				37	89 91
W. F. French, shovel and nails,					1 08
C. B. Dodge, 1 mattox,					75
Smith & Berry,					1 25
J. M. Stickney, sharpening and					
bolts,					40
Charles E. Robbins, bridge plank,					12 61
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					\$367 65

DR.

Received of town treasurer, as per					
order of selectmen,					\$162 30

CR.

October, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	9 "			\$2 00	\$18 00
horse,					4 00
team,	1 "				3 50
Town team,	21 "			3 50	73 50

H. P. Odell,	21 days, 5 hours,	1 50	\$32 25
J. Grafton, repairing concrete,			10 00
Howard Bros., breaking roads,			21 05
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			\$162 30

Dr.

Received of town treasurer, as per order of selectmen,		\$362 31
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November, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	6	"	3	"	\$2 00	\$12 60
team,	4	"			3 50	14 00
horse,						4 00
Town team,	21	"	3	"	3 50	74 55
H. P. Odell,	19	"	7	"	1 50	29 55
J. A. Casey, team,			3	"	3 50	1 05
shovelling,	17	"	3	"	1 50	25 95
"	1	"	6	"	1 00	1 60
G. R. Hartshorn, team,	1	"	3	"	3 50	4 55
shovelling,	5	"	6	"	1 50	8 40
John C. Smith,	1	"	5	"	1 50	2 25
Mr. Fernandez,	1	"	5 1-2	"	1 50	2 33
John F. Grafton, 4-horse team,	1	"	6	"	7 00	11 20
shovelling,	6	"	7	"	1 50	10 05
1 shovel,						35
W. O. Dunklee, team,	2	"	3-4	"	3 50	7 27
shovelling,	5	"	5 1-2	"	1 50	8 33
James O'Neil,	1	"	5	"	1 50	2 25
Michael O'Neil,	1	"	8 1-2	"	1 50	2 78
W. Nichols,	1	"	2 1-2	"	1 50	1 88
J. Fitzgerald,	2	"			1 50	3 00
W. W. Grafton,	10	"	7	"	1 50	16 05
John Hassey,	1	"	7	"	1 50	2 55
Thomas Hassey,			4	"	1 50	60
P. O'Brien,	1	"	3	"	1 50	1 95
G. W. Tarbell, team,	1	"	6 1-2	"	3 50	5 78
shovelling,	9	"	1-2	"	1 50	13 58
H. H. Parker, team,			5	"	3 00	1 50
G. N. Woodward, team,	2	"			3 50	7 00
labor,	3	"	8	"	1 50	5 70
Fred Jones, team,	1	"	8	"	3 50	6 30
man,	3	"	6	"	1 50	5 40

C. L. Kendall, team,	2 days, 3 hours,	3 50	\$8 05
labor,	12 " 1-2 "	1 50	18 07
J. F. Savage, team,	1 " 3 "	3 50	4 55
shovelling,	2 " 3 "	1 50	3 45
E. A. Savage, team,	3 "	3 50	1 05
shovelling,	1 " 4 "	1 50	2 10
"	7 "	1 20	84
W. R. Howard, 2 men and team, 1	" 8 "	5 00	9 00
team,	8 "	3 50	2 80
labor,	8 1 2 "	1 50	1 28
C. B. Dodge, 1 shovel,			30
H. Crosby,	7 "	1 50	1 05
John Shea,	8 "	1 50	1 20
J. B. Burt's bill,			11 22
Everett Hutchinson,	2 "	1 50	3 00
			<hr/> \$362 31

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Received of town treasurer, as per order of selectmen,	\$267 42
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CR.

December, 1898.

C. A. Jenkins,	7 "	\$2 00	\$14 00
horse,			4 00
team,	2 " 1 1-2 "	3 50	7 53
C. Riddle,	7 "	1 50	1 05
H. P. Odell,	3 " 7 "	1 50	5 55
C. H. Gault,	6 "	1 50	9 00
Fred Jones,	4 "	1 50	60
team,	6 "	3 50	2 10
R. B. Cotton,	8 1-2 "	1 50	1 28
H. P. Richardson,	1 " 2 "	1 50	1 80
P. C. Sargent,	9 "	1 50	1 35
team,	5 "	1 00	50
C. J. Gutterson, team,	1 "	3 50	3 50
man,	6 " 2 "	1 50	9 30
Wm. J. Bills, team,	1 " 8 "	3 50	6 30
men shovelling,	8 " 5 "	1 50	12 75
Milford Granite Co., team,	7 "	4 00	2 80
Ned Conley,	1 " 5 "	1 50	2 25
W. C. Cleaves, team,	5 "	3 50	1 75
shovelling,	1 " 4 "	1 50	2 10

H. H. Parker, team,	1 days, 5 hours,	3 50	\$5 25
shovelling,	7 " 5 "	1 50	11 25
J. Casey, team,	1 " 8 "	3 50	6 30
shovelling,	9 "	1 50	1 35
W. O. Duncklee, team,	2 " 9 1-2 "	3 50	10 33
shovelling,	4 "	1 50	60
sand,			05
Cowdrey & Lackey, team,	1 " 5 "	3 50	5 25
man,	5 "	1 50	75
G. N. Woodward, team,	8 "	3 50	2 80
labor,	9 "	1 50	1 35
E. K. Jewett, team,	8 "	3 50	2 80
labor,	1 " "	1 50	1 50
O. Brown,	8 "	1 50	1 20
W. Q. Young,	2 " 7 "	1 50	4 05
T. Holland, team,	1 " 1 "	3 50	3 85
shovelling,	1 " "	1 50	1 50
N. Hurley,	7 1-4 "	1 50	1 09
J. C. Beals, team,	3 " 5 "	3 50	12 25
shovelling,	13 " "	1 50	19 50
S. A. Lovejoy, team,	8 "	3 50	2 80
man,	1 " 4 1-2 "	1 50	2 17
W. R. Howard, team,	5 "	3 50	1 75
man,	5 "	1 50	75
L Kirby,	2 "		25
F. J. Abbot,	1 " 7 "	1 50	2 55
H. J. Wilson, team,	1 " 2 "	3 50	4 20
horse,	2 "	2 50	50
Hodgman,	4 1-2 "	1 50	68
Messer,	3 "	1 50	45
H. J. Wilson,	6 "	1 50	90
G. W. Tarbell, team,	2 " 1-4 "	3 50	7 08
shovelling,	1 " 1 1-2 "	1 50	1 73
Henry Mason,	1 " "	1 50	1 50
Caldwell,	3 " 1 "	1 50	4 65
F. Sears,	9 "	1 50	1 35
Charles Riddle,	1 " 4 "	1 50	2 10
A. W. Merrill,	3 1-2 "	1 50	53
A. Gordon,	1 " 4 "	1 50	2 10
W. W. Grafton,	9 "	1 50	1 35
Town ¹ / ₂ team,			45 50

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Received of town treasurer, as per
order of selectmen, \$140 92

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January, 1899.

C. A. Jenkins,	2 days, 5 hours,	\$2 00	\$5 00
team,	0 " 7 "	35	2 45
horse,			4 00
Town team,	9 " 8 "	3 50	34 30
Fred Jones,	7 "	1 50	1 05
G. W. Tarbell, team,	1 " 2 1-2 "	3 50	4 35
I. R. Goss, team,	5 1-2 "	3 50	1 93
J. S. Murphy,	3 1-2 "	1 50	53
G. R. Hartshorn, team,	1 "	25	2 50
man,	1 "	1 50	1 50
W. L. Winslow, team,	1 " 3 1-2 "	3 50	4 73
man,	4 "	1 50	60
sand,			1 00
W. L. Winslow, cement and sand,			1 25
work on sewer,			60
team,	2 " 8 "	3 50	9 80
man,	2 " 1 1-2 "	1 50	3 23
sand,			1 50
W. O. Duncklee, team,	2 " 9 "	3 50	10 15
sand,			1 10
G. N. Woodward, team,	1 1-2 "	3 50	53
man,	6 "	1 50	90
J. Casey, team,	2 " 9 "	3 50	10 15
man,	6 "	1 50	90
S. Frazer,	4 "	1 50	60
S. C. Beals, team,	1 " "	3 50	3 50
man,	1 " "	1 50	1 50
C. N. Caldwell,	4 " 8 1-2 "	1 50	7 25
W. F. French, nails,			62
Hillsborough Mills, 2 men and			
team,	1 " 3 "	5 00	6 50
team,	5 "	3 50	1 75
Smith Berry, bolts, repairs of			
tools and snow plows,			5 65
J. M. Stickney, repairing pick,			25
E. F. Herlihy,	0 days, 7 hours,	1 50	1 05

C. H. Raymond,	1 days, 3 1-2 hours,	1 50	\$2 00
H. Thompson, team,	8 "	2 50	2 00
C. Riddle,	1 " 2 "	1 50	1 80
A. Green,	1 " 2 "	1 50	1 80
J. C. Caldwell,	4 "	1 50	60
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			\$140 92

Paid for by selectmen and charged to highway account :

Road machine and plow point,	\$252 25
" " freight,	6 99
Stevens Grante Co., edgestone on Myrtle street,	498 43
" " " labor,	122 31
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\$879 98	

Received of town treasurer, as per order of selectmen,	\$5,137 31
Received from sale of bridge plank,	1 50
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\$5,138 81	

Amount expended on streets, as per fore-	
going account,	\$5,138 36
Cash in hands of agent,	45
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\$5,138 81	

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. JENKINS,

Road Agent.

MILFORD, N. H., Feb. 20, 1899.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,

C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

REPORT OF FIREWARDS.

The Board of firewards submit the following report of the condition of the fire department for the year ending Feb. 28, 1899:

The department consists of Eagle Hose Co., 12 men ; Souhegan Hose Co., 12 men ; and Alert Hook and Ladder Co., 16 men.

Apparatus.

Eagle hose wagon, Souhegan hose wagon, Alert hook and ladder truck, Neptune fire engine and hose carriage, all equipped ; also, Souhegan fire engine. Hose and material on hand : 1200 ft. 2-inch hose ; 2300 feet 2 1-2 inch hose ; 100 feet 1-inch hose ; 30 rubber coats, all in good condition. The electric fire alarm system is in good condition. For usual expenses of the fire department for the year we would recommend the appropriation of \$900.

Fires.

March 10. P. Bartlett & Son's hosiery.

April 17, Still alarm Berry's mill, Amherst street.

May 16, Herbert Burn's mill. Total loss.

May 15, Still alarm. E. B. Condery hen house.

May 20; Still alarm, Mrs. J. O'Brien's chimney, Dearborn street.

July 4, J. C. Burt's studio.

Aug 6, Still alarm, Robert Clark, oil stove, Ash street.

Aug. 29, Still alarm, Mrs. McCourthy, oil stove, Nashua street.

Sept. 6, Mrs. E. Pratt, chimney, Mt. Vernon street.

" " Boston & Maine freight house.

Nov. 19, W. E. Pierce mill.

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Jan. 11, Mrs. B. Randall, chimney, cor. Lincoln and Oak streets.

Feb. 8, False alarm, American Thread Co.'s mill.

Feb 9, still alarm, Geo. Hartshorn, chimney, Mt. Vernon street.

Feb. 10, Still alarm, J. P. Melzer, stove explosion.

" 10, Osgood school house.

Expenditures.

Preston Felch, steward,	6 88
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
Feb. and March,	3 00
J. J. Casey, watching fire at Hosiery.	60

Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
April,	\$1 50
“ “ “ “ “ “ May,	1 50
E. Brooks, making hose rack and material.	13 38
Albert Wilson, services as fireman,	3 75
W. E. Hutch nson, care of fire alarm, July 4,	2 00
John McLane, lumber for hose rack,	6 83
E. Dutton, watching fire at Webster block,	1 00
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
June and July,	3 00
W. J. Prince, reels for hose wagons,	14 20
Preston Felch, steward,	6 25
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
August,	1 50
Geo. M. Stevens, electric supplies,	17 50
L. C. Hall, order C. H. Batten, for services	
as fireman,	7 50
W. H. Wilkins, order F. N. Sears, for ser-	
vices as fireman,	8 75
Rual Manning, services as fireman,	10 00
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
September and October,	3 00
Brooks Pierson, watching at engine house,	1 50
F. N. Sears, “ “ “	1 50
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
November,	1 50
J. A. Casey and team, watching at engine	
house,	2 00
Preston Felch, steward,	6 37
F. B. Wilkins, electrician,	18 50
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
December,	1 50
Ed. Shannessy, shaft in hose wagon and	
painting,	1 75
Alert Hook and Ladder Co., for services,	220 00
Eagle Hose Co., for services,	180 00
Soubegan Hose Co., “	171 25
W. L. Winslow, chief engineer,	30 00
C. E. Marvell, assistant chief engineer,	30 00
J. A. Brahaney, 2d assistant chief engineer,	30 00
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light for	
January,	1 50

Geo. M. Stevens, blue vitriol,	\$24 44	
A. A. Simonds, care alarm register,	3 00	
Milford Water Works, use of water,	11 00	
W. L. Winslow, to bills rendered,	3 10	
Cash on hand,	22 58	
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Balance from 1898,	\$60 33	
Cash from town treasurer,	800 00	
Fountain Engine Co., house rent,	5 00	
Town of Milford, use of hose and repairing coupling,	1 55	
Milford Water Works, clearing snow from hydrants,	3 00	
Balance overdrawn on firemen's salary,	3 75	
	<hr/>	\$873 63

W. L. WINSLOW,
C. E. MARVELL,
J. A. BRAHANEY,
Firewards.

February 20, 1899.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

MILFORD FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES.

ALICE C. GRAY,	-	-	-	Term expires 1899
MRS. E. I. KENDALL,	-	-	-	" " "
J. E. WEBSTER,	-	-	-	" " "
ARTHUR L. KEYES,	-	-	-	" " "
W. B. ROTCH,	-	-	-	" " 1900
A. J. HUTCHINSON,	-	-	-	" " "
MRS. D. S. DEARBORN,	-	-	-	" " "
G. A. WORCESTER,	-	-	-	" " "
W. F. FRENCH,	-	-	-	" " 1901
C. S. EMERSON,	-	-	-	" " "
MRS. A. W. SMITH,	-	-	-	" " "
CAROLINE K. FULLER,	-	-	-	" " "

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1899.

On the evening of March 22 the Trustees met at the Library rooms and choose the following officers for the ensuing year:

W. F. FRENCH,	-	-	-	-	-	<i>President</i>
A. L. KEYES,	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Secretary and Treasurer</i>
REBECCA F. DOANE,	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Librarian</i>

W. B. ROTCH,	}	-	-	<i>Library Committee</i>
MRS. E. I. KENDALL,				
CAROLINE K. FULLER.				

A. J. HUTCHINSON,	}	-	-	<i>Finance Committee</i>
MRS. A. W. SMITH,				
C. S. EMERSON,				

In conformity with the vote passed by the Trustees and in accordance with the rules governing the conduct of the Library, the Trustees have met on the first Tuesday of each alternate month, and the Library Committee have met every month during the year.

The year just closed has been an uneventful one so far as the Library is concerned, and your Trustees have no especial facts of interest to report other than may be found in the statistical report which is subjoined.

A comparison of these statistics with the previous year shows that the usefulness of the Library has been maintained at about the same average as heretofore. There has been a slight falling off in the number of books taken out, which is easily accounted for. Early in the year the absorbing interest in the war news in the newspapers had its effect upon our Library, as it did upon nearly every library in the country. This, together with the closing of the Library during the quarantine period, accounts for this slight difference. But

for these two causes we are confident that the number of books taken out this year would have exceeded in number that of any recent year.

The average daily use is 57 books, which, in comparison with other libraries similarly situated as to population, is considered a rather large per cent., and is creditable and attests to the value and usefulness of the institution.

The Library now contains 6,773 volumes, well selected and in good condition. Of this number 205 books have been added by purchase during the year from the incomes derived from the bequests of

Mr. EZRA M GAY

AND

Miss NANCY AVERILL.

There have been also 153 volumes presented to the Library by thoughtful citizens and others, and for these gifts the Trustees, in behalf of the town, would extend their thanks.

The Librarian reports that the work of the Library in connection with the schools has been even more satisfactory than heretofore, and in this connection the Trustees believe there is still an opportunity for further usefulness.

During the year the Trustees have been petitioned to open the reading room on Sunday afternoons. This is done in many towns with beneficial results, affording a quiet place of resort for many who have no place in which to spend their idle hours. It is commended by those libraries where it has been tried as a moral influence in the community. With the present appropriation, however, it cannot be attempted here, even as an experiment.

The condition of the Library is excellent. No books have been lost during the year and no abuses of the privileges of the Library worthy of mention have been noticed.

The reading room is at present supplied with a generous number of magazines and periodicals, which are eagerly read by its patrons. It is not an unusual sight to see from a dozen to fifteen young men gathered

around the Library table during the winter evenings absorbed in the current literature that the generosity of the town is able to furnish them, and any suspension or curtailing of this branch of the Library work would be a public misfortune.

The work of the Librarian in assisting and directing the reading of these young people is most commendable and valuable.

Your trustees believe that no money appropriated by the town is more economically expended or more fruitful of healthful results than that for library purposes, and as soon as the financial condition of the town will permit, they would suggest that the appropriation be put back to its former figure of \$1000.

Appended are the reports of the Librarian and Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

THE TRUSTEES.

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

Days the library was open,	295
Volumes taken out,	16,756
Average daily use,	57
Largest daily use,	164
Smallest daily use,	18
Names registered since Jan. 31, 1898,	133
Bound volumes Jan. 31, 1898,	6,402
Added during the year by purchase,	205
“ “ “ gift,	153
“ “ “ periodicals bound,	13
Books withdrawn,	47
“ replaced,	11
Bound volumes Jan. 31, 1899,	6,773
Attendance in reading room.	9,296
Average daily attendance,	32

Number and Class of Books Taken Out.

CLASS.	NUMBER.	PER CENT.
General works, including magazines,	2,520	15.00

CLASS.	NUMBER.	PER CENT.
Philosophy,	51	.24
Religion,	81	.48
Sociology,	214	1.27
Philology,	9	.05
Natural Science,	261	1.6
Useful arts,	74	.44
Fine arts,	78	.5
Fiction,	11,310	67.5
Literature,	539	3.2
Geography and travels,	686	4.1
Biography,	420	2.5
History,	513	3.12
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List of Periodicals in Reading Room.

Atlantic	Magazine.	Leslie's Weekly,
Cassiers	"	Life,
Century	"	London News,
Christian Science	"	Milford Daily Pointer,
Cosmopolitan	"	Puck,
Forum	"	Scientific American,
Guuton's	"	New York Weekly Tribune,
Harper's	"	New Voice,
Land of Sunshine	"	Watchman,
North American	"	Youth's Companion,
New England	"	Boston Daily Record,
Popular Science	"	McClure's Magazine,
Pythian	"	Munsey "
Review of Reviews	"	Sacred Heart Review,
Scribner's	"	Harper's Bazaar,
Congregationalist,		Outlook,
Critic,		Woman's Home Companion,
Electrical World,		Nation,
Farmer's Cabinet,		Traveler's Record,
Harper's Weekly,		American Wool and Cotton Re-
Our Young People,		porter.

Gifts to the Library.

The following have donated to the library or to reading-room literature the past year :—

American Humane Education Society,	W. B. Rotch,
J. E. Webster,	E. M. Stanyan,
M. F. Foster,	Mrs. H. G. Wallace,
A. P. Shepard,	Frank Patch,
Hon. A. E. Pillsbury,	State of N. H.
Rev. Geo. F. Marshall,	United States, various departments,
W. F. French,	Smithsonian Institution,
Mrs. E. A. Tucker,	Estate of W. A. Richardson,
J. A. Mixer,	Land of Sunshine Pub. Co.
G. A. Worcester,	Christian Science " "
Boston Daily Globe,	

Other gifts from unknown sources.

Report of the Treasurer of the Milford Free Library for the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1899.

Receipts :

Town treasurer,	\$900 00	
Income of trust funds,	251 00	
Fines, use of library, etc ,	52 60	
		\$1,203 60

Expenditures :

Deficit of last account, 1898, charged off,	\$0 58
R. F. Doane, librarian, 11 1-2 months,	575 00
Milford Electric Light Co., lighting,	100 00
C. E. Lauriat & Co., books,	233 25
A. W. Smith, binding and repairing,	37 06
W. B. Rotch, printing,	5 75
F. W. Farnsworth, subscriptions to magazines,	113 70
Granite Monthly Co., subscription,	4 50
F. E. Cole & Co., binding,	3 00
Milford Water Works, water,	11 00
Gas Appliance Exchange, Welsbach burner,	1 90
John Anderson, labor,	7 00
G. A. Worcester, electrical work,	40
Mrs. G. E. Nichols, book,	3 25
Jay D. Brown, book,	2 25
W. B. Rotch, book,	2 00
George Bush, book,	2 75
Cash paid by librarian for express, supplies and cleaning,	51 25

Cash in librarian's hands,	\$1 35	
Revenue stamps,	58	
E. M. Stanyan, notice,	1 30	
Cash on hand,	45 83	
	<hr/>	\$1,203 60

At the date of closing this account there are outstanding obligations to the amount of \$32.50, which reduces the actual balance to \$13.33.

ARTHUR L. KEYES, *Treasurer.*

Feb. 18, 1899.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

New Books Added the Past Year.

PHILOSOPHY.

- Chapin, E. H. Humanity in the city.....177 C36
Hopkins, Albert A. Magic.....133 H77

RELIGION.

- Barrows, John Henry. Christianity, the world religion..239 B27
Edersheim, Alfred. Life and times of Jesus the Messiah.
2 vols.....232 Ed:2
Griffis, William Elliot. Pilgrims in their three homes..274 G87
Smith, George Adam. Book of Isaiah. 2 vols.....224 Sm51

SOCIOLOGY.

- Corbin, John. School boy life in England.371 C81
Davis, Richard Harding. A year from a reporter's note
book....390 D29
Earle, Alice Morse. Home life in colonial days.....390 Ea7.2
Parsons, C. G. Inside view of slavery.398 P25
Pillsbury, Parker. Acts of the anti-slavery apostles326 P64
Rinder, Frank. Old World Japan398 R47

NATURAL SCIENCE.

- Blanchan, Neltje. Bird neighbors.....598 B59
Mathews, F. Schuyler. Familiar features of the roadside, 500 M43
Familiar life in field and forest590 M43
McAdams, William. Records of ancient races in the
valley of the Mississippi.....571 M11
Moorehead, Warren K. Fort Ancient, Ohio571 M78
Weisman, August. Essays on heredity. 2 vols.....575 W43

USEFUL ARTS.

- Gillmore, Q. A. A practical treatise on roads.....625 G41
Maryott, E. Edgar. New medical world; a book for
reference.....616 M36
Stone, Roy. New roads and road laws in the U. S.....625 St7

FINE ARTS.

Elson, Louis C. Great composers and their work.....	789	E17
Lahee, Henry C. Famous singers of to-day and yesterday.....	789	L13
Statham, H. Heathcote. Architecture for general readers,	720	St2
VanDyke, Theodore S. Game birds at home.....	799	V28
Van Rensselaer, Mrs. Schuyler Handbook of English Cathedrals.....	726	V35

LITERATURE.

Bates. Katherine Lee. American literature.....	810	B31
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POETRY.

Khayyam, Omar. Rubaiyat, translated by Edward Fitzgerald.....	891	K52F
Paget, R. L., <i>editor</i> . Poems of patriotism.....	811	P15
Pope, Alexander. Translation of the Iliad and Odyssey,	881	H75P
Pope's poetical works.....	821	P81

FICTION.

Austin, Oscar Phelps Uncle Sam's secrets.....	813	Au71
Baskett, James Newton. At you-all's house.....	813	B29
Black, William. Judith Shakespeare.....	823	B56.14
Wild Eelin.....	823	B56.15
Brady, Cyrus Townsend. For love of country.....	813	B721
Burney, Frances. Evelina.....	823	B93
Castle, Agnes and Egerton. The pride of Jennico.....	823	C27
Cambridge, Ada (<i>pseud.</i>) Materfamilias.....	823	C14.1
Churchill, Winston. The celebrity.....	813	C47
Conrad, Joseph. The children of the sea.....	823	C761
Craigie, Mrs. (<i>John Oliver Hobbes.</i>) The school for saints.....	823	C842
Crockett, S. R. Standard bearer.....	823	C87.8
Play actress.....	823	C87.9
Red axe.....	823	C87.10
Davis, Richard Harding. King's jackal.....	813	D29.4
Davis, Varina Anne Jefferson. Romance of summer seas.....	813	D293
Deland, Margaret. Old Chester Tales.....	813	D37.4
Dorr, Julia C. R. In King's houses.....	813	D73
Dromgoole, Will Allen (<i>pseud.</i>) The valley path.....	813	D831.1
Drysdale, William. The fast mail; story of a train boy,	813	D84
Young reporter.....	813	D84.1

Earle, Alice Morse. In old Narragansett.....	813	Ea7
Fox, John Jr. Kentuckians.....	813	F83.1
Francis, M. E. Duetta of a genius	813	F84.1
In a north country village.....	813	F84.2
Gillman, Henry. Hassan; a fell-ah.....	813	G41
Grant, Robert. Jack Hall	813	G76.3
Green, Anna Katherine. Lost man's lane.....	813	G82.5
Hamblen, Herbert Elliott The general manager's story, 813	H17	
Tom Benton's Luck.....	813	H17.1
Hawkins, Anthony Hope. Rupert of Hentzau.....	823	H31.3
Henty, George A. Both sides the border.....	823	H39.28
Under Wellington's command.....	823	H39.29
At Aboukir and Acre.....	823	H39.30
Hickson, Mrs. Mary. Concerning Teddy.....	823	H52
Higginson, Thomas Wentworth. Tales of the enchanted islands of the Atlantic.....	813	H53
Howells, William Dean Story of a play.....	813	H83.14
Johnston, Mary. Prisoners of Hope.....	813	J64
Kaler, James Otis. The Charming Sally.....	813	K12.2
King, Charles. The general's double.....	813	K58.4
Warrior Gap	813	K58.5
Kipling, Rudyard. A day's work.....	823	K62.5
Plain tales from the hills.....	823	K62.6
Merriman, Henry Seton. With edged tools.....	813	M55.1
Page, Thomas Nelson. Red Rock.....	813	P15.6
Parker, Gilbert. Battle of the strong.....	823	P22.2
Pendleton, Louis. Carita; a Cuban romance.....	813	P37
Poor, Agnes Blake Boston neighbors.....	813	P79
Powell, Richard Stillman. Phyllis in Bohemia.....	813	P87
Rayner, E. Free to serve	813	R211
Remington, Frederic. Crooked trails	813	R28
Richards, Laura E. Margaret Montfort.....	813	R39.5
Russell, William C. Romance of a midshipman.....	823	R91.3
Scollard, Clinton. A man-at-arms.....	813	Sco3
Seawell, Molly Elliot. The loves of Lady Arabella.....	813	Se1.1
Sedgwick, Anne Douglas. The dull Miss Archinard.....	813	Se2
Smith, F. Hopkinson. Caleb West.....	813	Sm51.2
Smith, Mary P. W. Jolly good times at school.....	813	Sm5.1
Jolly good times today.....	813	Sm5.2
A jolly good summer.....	813	Sm5.3
Jolly good times at Hackmatack.....	813	Sm5.4
The Browns.....	813	Sm5.5

Smith, Mary P. W. Their canoe trip	813	Sm5.6
More good times at Hackmatack.....	813	Sm5.7
Young puritans in King Philip's war....,.....	813	Sm5.8
Stockton, Frank R. Girl at Cobhurst.....	813	St6.9
Associate hermits... ..	813	St6.10
Stuart, Ruth McEnery. Moriah's mourning and other tales.....	813	St9.1
Stephens, R. N. The continental dragoon.....	813	St411
Tomlinson, Everett T. Boys of old Monmouth.....	813	T59.1
Townsend, Virginia F. Sirs, only seventeen.. ..	813	T66.3
Dorothy Draycott's tomorrows.....	813	T66.4
Tuttiet, M. G. House of hidden treasure.....	823	T87.4
VanDyke, Henry. The lost word; a Christmas legend..	813	V28
Ward, Mrs. Humphry. Helbeck of Bannisdale. 2 v..	823	W21.4
Weyman, Stanley J. The Castle Inn.....	823	W54.2
Wiggin, ^f Kate Douglas. Penelope's progress.....	813	W64.7
Wilkins, ^e Mary E. Silence, and other stories.....	813	W65.7
Anonymous. The odd one.....	813	A15
Probable sons.....	813	A16

ESSAYS.

Black, Hugh. Friendship.....	824	B56
Higginson, T. W. Cheerful yesterdays	814	H53.3
Addison, Joseph. Days with Sir Roger de Coverley...	824	Sp3.1
Anonymous. Collections and recollections.....	814	A1

HUMOROUS.

Clemens, Samuel L. Following the equator.....	817	C59.6
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GEOGRAPHY AND TRAVEL.

Andrews, Jane. Seven little sisters.....	910	An2
Each and all.....	910	An2.1
Ten boys.....	910	An2.2
Becke, Louis. Wild life in southern seas.....	919	B38
Carnes, J. A. Voyage to west coast of Africa.....	916	C21
French, H. Our Boys in China.....	915	F88
Inman, H. and Cody, W. F. The Great Salt Lake trail	917	In6C
Lummis, Charles F. Awakening of a nation.....	917	L97.2
Ober, Frederick Albion. Crusoe's Island.....	917	Ob22
Peary, Robert E. Northward over the great ice. 2 vols.	919	P31
Roosevelt, Theodore. Ranch life and hunting trail..	917	R67
Ramsey, M. M. The Island of Cuba.	917	R14
Scidmore, Eliza Ruhama. Java, the garden of the east..	915	Sci2

Steele, Thomas S. A voyage to Viking land.....	914	St31
Steevens, G. W. With the conquering Turk.	914	St3
Stevens, Joseph Earle. Yesterdays in the Philippines...	915	St4
Temple, Sir Richard. Picturesque India.....	915	T24
Todd, Mabel Loomis. Corona and Coronet	915	T56

BIOGRAPHY.

Bicknell, Anna L. Story of Marie Antoinette.....	923	An8B
Bryce, James. William Ewart Gladstone.....	923	G45B
Clarke, Mary Cowden. My long life... ..	928	C551
Gordon, Anna. Life of Frances E. Willard.....	923	W66G
Hackett, Frank Warren. Life of William Adams Rich- ardson.....	923	R39
Holden, Edward S. Our country's flag and the flags of foreign countries.....	929	H71
Hubbard, Elbert. Little journeys to the homes of fa- mous women... ..	920	H86
Livermore, Mary A. The Story of my life... ..	923	L75
Orr, Mrs. Sutherland. Life and letters of Robert Brown- ing. 2 vols.....	928	B81Or
Robins, Edward. Benjamin Franklin... ..	923	F85R

HISTORY.

Bacon, Edwin H. Historic pilgrimages in New England.	974	B13
Crawford, F. Marion. Ave Roma immortalis. 2 vols...	937	C85
Dana, Charles A. Recollections of the Civil War.....	973	D19
Davis, Richard Harding. The Cuban and Porto Rican Campaigns... ..	973	D29
Hale, E. E. Historic Boston.....	974	H13
Harrison, James A. Spain in history.....	946	H24
King, Grace. De Soto in the land of Florida.....	975	K58
Kingsley, Charles. The Roman and the Teuton.....	937	K59
Latimer, Elizabeth W. Spain in the Nineteenth Cen- tury,.....	946	L34
McCarthy, Justin. History of our own times from 1880 to the diamond jubilee.....	942	M12
McCarthy, Justin H. French revolution, 2 vols.....	944	M12
Nixon, Oliver W. How Marcus Whitman saved Oregon.	979	N65
Oliphant, Mrs. Margaret Wilson. Makers of Florence...	945	O13
Makers of Venice.....	945	O13.1
Von Holst, Hermann. Constitutional and political his- tory of U. S. 8 vols.....	973	V89
Warman, Cy. The story of the railroad.....	978	W98
Wilkinson, J. Gardner. Ancient Egyptians. 2 vols...	932	W65

REPORT OF Water Works Investigation Committee.

The special committee appointed under a resolution adopted at the last annual meeting of the town, directing an investigation of the affairs of the Milford Water Works, herewith present their report.

It is needless to say that the labors of the committee were sadly interrupted by the death of Charles P. Birney, an able and valuable member.

The committee started out with a purpose to inquire into all matters to which their attention was called, whether deemed of importance or not, and many minor matters have been looked into of which no mention is made in this report. It must be apparent to all that many of the matters which give rise to the investigation were independently considered by the commissioners and such action taken by them as to remove the original cause of complaint.

ACCOUNTS.

An examination of the accounts and vouchers of the Registrars from the time the town assumed control of the works to March, 1898, shows that the book-keeping, on the whole, has been carefully and systematically done. The pay-rolls for labor, however, have been receipted in a large number of instances in gross by the man in charge of the workmen, and not by the individual workmen themselves. This is a practice not in accordance with the business methods of large or small concerns and should be discontinued.

CONDITION OF THE WORKS.

So far as can be determined, the general condition of the plant is good. The standpipe was painted during the summer.

The condition of the interior surface showed that the painting had been too long delayed, and as a result the upper portion, where the surface is alternately wet and dry by the rise and fall of the water level, had become pitted. According to a statement made by one of the workmen, in some instances the pits were at least 1-16 of an inch deep. Except for about 15 feet at the top there was practically no paint left on the inside. Two coats of paint were required except at the top. The inside ladder was a wreck and was entirely removed. Careful examination of the interior should be made every season, and painting resorted to if required.

PUMPING STATISTICS.

Our attention was called to the fact that the amount of water pumped per ton of coal varied greatly, as shown by the printed statistics. We are unable to throw any light upon this matter, as details are too meager. The amount of coal consumed in actual pumping has never been kept separate from the amounts used in banking fires and heating the station. Neither is there any record of steam pressure, the average head of water pumped against, or the variations in "lift" caused by the varying depth of water in the wells. These are all factors, and, without them, no conclusion could be arrived at.

It is the practice in many steam pumping plants to require the engineer to keep the coal record in such a way that the amount of coal used in banking and heating is kept separate from that consumed in pumping. Unless this is done, it is difficult, if not impossible, to determine the efficiency of the pumps.

NEW CONSTRUCTION.

Comparison between the cost of new construction in this town and in other places is to our disadvantage. In the city of Fitchburg in 1897 the cost of extensions of mains per running foot, including what gates and hydrants were required, was as follows: 4 inch, 40c.; 6 inch, 63c.; 8 inch, \$1; 10 inch, \$1 25. This was not contract work, but day labor at \$1.50 per day.

As appears by the last report of our commissioners, there was laid in 1897 1176 feet of 4 inch main and 1269 feet of 6 inch main, at a total cost of \$1614.27, as appears by the report, page 60. At Fitchburg prices this same length of main could have been laid for \$1269.87. After deducting for pipe and lead which was left, it is safe to say that our cost was \$200 in excess of what it should have been.

The committee have the water works reports of 24 towns and cities for the year 1897. In five of these the cost of extensions is so given that the cost per running foot can be determined, which we have done with the following result :

Keene, 4 inch, 44c.
 Manchester, Mass., 6 inch, 64c.
 Maynard, Mass., 6 inch, 64c.
 Maynard, Mass., 4 inch, 37c.
 Lancaster, N. H., 6 inch, 67c.
 Franklin, N. H., 8 inch, 91c.

To our minds, this proves the Fitchburg figures to be average prices. If the same ratio of excessive cost has prevailed from the time the town assumed control of the works to Feb. 15, 1898, then we have expended for new construction more than \$2000 more than we should. Assuming that we can purchase materials as low as other towns, which we believe is a fair assumption, the excessive cost must be chargeable to the only remaining items, labor and superintendence,

WATER ANALYSIS.

In the latter part of August, 1898, complaints of the condition of the water became numerous. Water drawn at the taps in dwellings was frequently heavily charged with a brownish sediment. A gallon or more of water in all was taken from four different points in the system where trouble had been noted, to wit, at the residences of Dr. W. H. W. Hinds, B. F. Foster, John Kimball and W. B. Rotch. This sample was taken to Prof. Henry Carmichael of 12 Pearl street, Boston, Mass., and analyzed with the following result :

"The sample of water submitted by you on the 2d inst. marked 'Taps' has been analyzed with results as under :

	Expressed in parts per million.	
Total residue on evaporation,	41.40	parts.
Organic and volatile matter,	13.90	"
Chlorine,	1.06	"
Free ammonia,	0.00134	"
Albuminoid ammonia,	0.0250	"

"Remarks: The above sample of water is soft and well adapted for a domestic supply. By filtration the small amount of floating matter could be removed, thereby improving the water."

In answer to an inquiry as to certain features of the above analysis, the following reply was received :

"In reply to your favor of even date, would say the analysis rendered states only the substances of sanitary significance. The undetermined residue consists probably of salts of iron, lime, magnesia, and the alkalies, with silica, etc. These of course can be determined if you so desire in a complete quantitative analysis. The organic matter in the water does not appear to have been derived from sewerage, and we do not consider it injurious to health. It does not add to the attractiveness of the water; however, and should be, if practicable, removed by filtration."

In a personal interview with Mr. Carmichael he suggested that probably most of the organic matter present in the water was due to the fact that the direct rays of the sun reached the water in the standpipe, and he felt confident that if the standpipe was roofed over much of the organic matter would disappear.

A quantity of the brownish sediment mentioned was collected from a domestic filter and submitted for analysis. It was found by simple tests to be nearly all iron, there being, of course, a small portion of organic matter. Whether the iron is present in the water at the source, or whether it is picked up in the pipes, is a matter that we did not follow further. It is there, and the source is of little consequence. We think, however, that this analysis, made as it was in midsummer, should remove all doubts as to the sanitary qualities of the water. Whatever unpleasant features there are, they are to the eye alone.

The sediment complained of can be largely, if not wholly, eliminated by a generous opening of hydrants and blow-offs, something for which one member of your committee has long contended. To test the correctness of this theory, a circular letter was prepared and sent to the superintendents of some fifteen or more water works. Replies were received from twelve, and eleven of the number expressed themselves in terms more or less strong of the necessity of *thoroughly* blowing out mains in the summer season, especially where there was complaint as to the quality of the water. The one exception replied that they had no trouble, as in their system the consumption of water was so large that it was estimated to completely change at least ten times a day.

COAL.

In June, 1898, we received from a Boston firm the following bid: Pocahontas or Georges Creek coal, delivered in Milford, in a

500 ton lot in one shipment, \$3.70 per ton of 2240 lbs. The same amount of Ocean Mine (all rail) coal, delivered in small lots as wanted, was quoted at \$3.75. As will be noted these prices are for 500 ton lots. This would necessitate the water works, the town and the school district combining in this matter. To properly handle the coal as it would arrive, especially if delivered in one lot, would require side track facilities, with coal pockets. This would involve the investment by the town of a considerable sum of money. To the cost of the coal delivered here would be added the expense of teaming and handling, an allowance for waste, and interest on the money invested by the town. We endeavored to estimate these items as closely as possible and in accordance with our best judgment, but we were not able to figure out sufficient profit to warrant us in advising the town to go into the coal business. If contracts for all the coal used by the water works and in public buildings were made after competitive bids had been invited, and the coal weighed at the public scales, there could be no ground for criticism, just or unjust, and there would be none.

WATER SUPPLY AND CONSUMPTION.

In dry seasons the storage capacity of the wells is insufficient. Either the amount of water consumed must be reduced or a larger supply provided before we can say that the system is equal to all demands liable to be made upon it. Attention has been called to this matter in the annual reports of the commissioners, and it has happened several times in the summer seasons that it has been necessary to caution consumers against lavish use of water. Apparently consumers are needlessly extravagant in this direction. In cold weather, large amounts of water disappear every night, due, no doubt, to fixtures being left running to prevent freezing. There is also waste in warm weather. While the standpipe was being painted and the supply was kept up by the motion of the pumps, we were informed that between the hours of eleven and three in the night time, the speed of the pumps indicated that nearly a barrel of water was wasting from the system every minute. The drinking fountains would account for some of this but not all.

As appears by the present report of the commissioners, there was pumped last year 35,117,000 gallons of water. The 80 or more metered services consumed 3,874,000 gallons of this, leaving 31,242,000 gallons used by the unmetered services and for other

purposes. The average price per 1000 gallons of metered water was 35.3c. If the above amount of unmetered water had been sold by meter, the income from private water takers would have been over \$12,000

In order that the town may receive full pay for all water consumed, we recommend that all services which have more than one faucet be metered, that the minimum meter rate be fixed at \$11, which at 40c per thousand gallons will allow a consumption of 27,500 gallons before an additional charge would be made. We believe the effect of this would be to reduce the amount of water used, and consequently the pumping expense, and render it unnecessary to provide for a further supply at present. We base this upon the experience of other towns where the meter system has been adopted. The estimated cost of installing the meters is \$2,500.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Mr. Wilkins of the committee desires to be excused from making any suggestions as to the future management of the works. The recommendations of Mr. Keyes will be found in a supplement to this report.

EXPENSES.

The expense of the committee for water analysis and postage has been \$7.57.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR L. KEYES,
CHARLES L. WILKINS.

The undersigned recommends that the resolution previously adopted by the town relating to the control and management of the Water Works, be modified in accordance with the following suggestions :

First. That the board consist of six members, appointed by the selectmen for three years each, the first appointments to be so made that the terms of two members shall expire each year, said board to serve without compensation.

Second. That said board be required to organize by the election of a chairman, and a clerk who shall keep a record of the doings of the Board, which records shall at all times be open to the inspection of citizens of Milford.

Third. That said board be required to hold at least four

meetings in each year at stated times, at which meetings citizens of Milford shall have the right to be heard if they so desire.

Fourth. That said board shall appoint one of their own number, or some other suitable person, as superintendent, who shall be the executive officer of the board, removable at their pleasure, and responsible to the board for his acts.

Fifth. That said board shall appoint one of their own number, or some other suitable person, registrar and treasurer, who shall be under bond, responsible to the board for his acts, and removable at pleasure.

Sixth. That the offices of superintendent and registrar and treasurer may be combined if thought desirable by the board.

Seventh. That the compensation of the superintendent and registrar and treasurer shall be fixed by the water board and the selectmen, sitting as a joint board.

Eighth. That no expense, either in extension of mains or repairs and improvements shall be made by the board without the concurrence of the selectmen.

A resolution embodying the foregoing suggestions will be prepared and introduced in the annual meeting.

ARTHUR L. KEYES.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Water Commissioners

MILFORD, N. H.

Statistics.

Number of services Feb. 15, 1898, 455.

Number added during the year, 14.

Total 469.

Number of taps 420, of which 81 are metered.

Total number of hydrants, 59.

1898.	Pumping time.	Coal consumed.	Gals. water pumped
January,	192	30,655 lbs.	2,456,275
February,	182-30	27,128 "	2,346,820
March,	185	25,925 "	2,393,100
April,	177-50	245,21 "	2,357,405
May,	226-40	276,33 "	2,676,980
June,	409-10	32,290 "	3,037,515
July,	304-45	39,338 "	4,045,720
August,	239-25	35,483 "	3,510,090
September,	250-10	33,086 "	3,330,310
October,	192-35	29,977 "	2,964,580
November,	206-05	29,375 "	2,861,800
December,	222	34,453 "	3,136,410
	<u>2,788 hs.10 m.</u>	<u>369,864 "</u>	<u>35,117,005</u>

In considering the above coal consumption, allowance should be made for the heating of the station, which is now heated by steam. The average number of gallons water pumped per day was 96,211. As per report 1897 it was 107,000, and for 1898, 37,801 gallons.

General Remarks.

As will be observed in our financial report, the Water Works have the past year paid from its earnings, besides its operating expenses, the interest on the bonds, \$3,000, the sinking fund, \$1,200, and into the town treasury \$1,800 besides.

In previous years its earnings instead of being paid into the town treasury has been expended in extension of new mains. No new main has been laid the past year with the exception of 144 feet in Prospect street, which was laid to relieve the water hammer in the houses recently erected by Mr. Gilson. By a change made in the grade in Myrtle street, it became necessary to lower 384 feet of main, which was charged up to the construction account.

In June the standpipe was drawn off, cleaned, scraped and painted two coats of Asphaltum, during which time direct pressure was maintained at the station. The outside of the standpipe was painted one coat, and the masonry repaired. This is the first time the standpipe has been painted inside since erected, and we think it should be done as often as once in two or three years. The other items of repairs were such as leaky gates and hydrants, broken service boxes, etc.

The large number of vacant tenements has materially lessened the income from private services. The water supply the past season has been ample, but in case of severe drouth, such as experienced three seasons ago, we anticipate a scarcity of water, unless all needless waste can be prevented, and the only way to effectively prevent waste is to apply meters. We have made two house-to-house inspections, to see that all fixtures were in good order, but it is impossible to check all waste by this method, except for the time being.

If we are correctly informed, the water works at Laconia, a private company, has over 500 meters set, and are pumping less water today than they were seven years ago, and the same is true at Franklin, where every service is metered.

JOHN HADLOCK, term expires 1899.

BROOKS R. CAME, " " 1900.

C. L. WILKINS, " " 1901.

Water Commissioners.

MILFORD, Feb. 18, 1899.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Water Commissioners

OF THE TOWN OF MILFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING
FEB. 15, 1899.

Condensed Report.

Dr.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	\$ 241 19	
Receipts from water rates for year,	5,014 40	
Received for new services,	558 10	
" " pipe and material sold,	10 00	
" " water for mason's use,	6 13	
" " for use of steam and diaphragm pump,	25 00	
Received from town of Milford :		
Hydrant service,	\$2,665 00	
Drinking fountains and supply public buildings,	148 00	
Flushing sewers,	18 56	
From Board of Education,	92 06	
" Public Library,	11 00	
" Fire Department,	11 00	
	<hr/>	\$8,800 44

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John N. Robertson, salary,	\$840 00
Salary Water Commissioners,	75 00
" Registrar,	100 00
John N. Goss,	64 75
Fuel and supplies,	883 64
Repairs at station,	30 80

General repairs,	\$268 40	
Services account,	280 91	
Construction,	128 68	
Miscellaneous,	69 34	
Interest on water bonds,	3,000 00	
Sinking fund,	1,200 00	
Paid into town treasury,	1,800 00	
Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1899,	59 92	
	<hr/>	\$8,800 44

Fuel and Supplies.

M. F. Crosby, wood,	\$2 25	
Gallock Packing Co., packing,	5 06	
Walworth Man'fg Co., hose for diaphragm pump, etc.,	30 38	
Walworth Man'fg Co., gaskets,	6 03	
Hersey Meter Co.,	1 95	
National " "	22 87	
Union " "	12 00	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co., oil, etc.,	25 45	
B. R. Came & Son, coal,	759 66	
Kendall & Wilkins, oil and soap powder,	4 25	
J. P. Melzer, water bills,	1 80	
F. W. Farnsworth, envelopes,	85	
Geo. A. Avery,	8 42	
Oil and gasoline,	15	
Dynamite and blasting powder,	2 52	
	<hr/>	\$883 64

Repairs at Station.

M. T. Davidson, glands for pump,	\$30 00	
G. L. Darracott, making bolts,	80	
	<hr/>	\$30 80

Services Account.

Pay roll :

Edw. Frost,	labor,	\$ 4 13
James Frost,	"	11 20
F. W. Sargent,	"	59 40
M. O. Cornell,	"	13 66
John Hussey,	"	3 45
John Nichols,	"	12 53

S. G. Hartshorn,	"	\$1 65	
Jacob Nichols,	"	98	
P. O'Brien,	"	10 61	
John Healey,	"	1 05	
F. A. Douglass,	"	4 50	
D. Finnigin,	"	1 50	
Joseph Gowett,	"	7 88	
D. Robbins,	"	1 50	
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			\$134 04

W. L. Winslow, cement,		\$11 37	
J. M. Stickney, blacksmithing,		2 35	
Geo. Avery, lead connections and fittings,		41 67	
Thomas Hovey, service boxes, etc.,		31 28	
" " service boxes and lead			
connections,		42 09	
Walworth Man'fg Co., repairs on tapping			
machine,		5 63	
E. M. Parker, freight and teaming,		12 48	
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			\$146 87
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			\$280 91

Miscellaneous.

J. M. Stickney, blacksmithing,		\$5 30	
W. F. French, sundries,		2 16	
F. W. Sargent, blowing hydrant, flushing			
sewers, etc.,		21 00	
C. E. Knight, Agt., rebate on water rate,		5 25	
Isaac Brothers, " " "		50	
E. M. Parker, freight and teaming,		1 95	
W. B. Rotch, printing,		75	
Milford Fire Department, clearing snow from			
hydrants,		3 00	
Geo. K. Boutelle, collecting water rates,		3 75	
J. T. & E. B. Burns, lumber,		3 03	
E. A. Thayer, labor at station and collecting,		16 00	
F. W. Farnsworth, blank book,		30	
Express and telegram,		2 55	
Revenue and postage stamps,		3 80	
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			\$69 34

CONSTRUCTION.

Pay roll :

Joseph Gowett,	labor,	15 90	
James Frost,	"	28 00	
Edw. Frost,	"	20 85	
F. W. Sargent,	"	32 00	
		<hr/>	\$96 75
E. M. Parker,	freight and teaming,	2 98	
Pennichuck Water Works,	bend,	1 75	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co.,	hydrant,	26 20	
		<hr/>	\$30 93
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			\$127 68

General Repairs.

Pay roll :

Joseph Gowett,	labor,	1 80	
P. O'Brien,	"	1 40	
F. A. Douglass,	"	3 75	
D. Finnigin,	"	1 50	
F. W. Sargent,	"	55 28	
M. O. Connell,	"	3 00	
John Nichols,	"	3 00	
James Frost,	"	4 00	
Edw. Frost,	"	1 50	
John Goss,	care of pumps,	3 00	
C. A. Swan,	labor,	2 00	
Newton Perham,	"	75	
Wm. Bitney,	"	60	
A. R. Tilton,	"	2 00	
		<hr/>	\$83 58

George L. Darracott,	making bolts,	\$2 40
Cunningham Iron Works,	asphaltum,	45 00
J. A. Mixer,	painting standpipe and paint,	111 92
W. L. Winslow,	brick and labor at standpipe,	19 88
Express,		2 70

J. M. Stickney, forging,	\$1 60	
Thomas Hoey, repairs on diaphragm pump,	1 32	
	<hr/>	\$184 82
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		\$268 40

B. R. CAME,
JOHN HADLOCK,
C. L. WILKINS,

Water Commissioners.

C. L. WILKINS, *Registrar.*
Feb. 16, 1899.

February 17, 1899.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

Statement of Assets.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1899,	\$59 92	
Material and supplies on hand on construction account,	265 00	
Ditto, services account,	50 00	
“ meter “	300 00	
Amount due for new services,	26 65	
“ “ on meter rates and special water contracts,	102 00	
	<hr/>	\$803 57
Tools and machinery,		662 96

First Summary.

Income :

Water rates for year from private services,	\$5,014 40	
Town of Milford, hydrant service,	2,665 00	
“ “ fountain and public buildings,	148 00	
“ “ flushing sewers,	18 56	
Board of Education,	92 06	
Public Library,	11 00	
Fire Department,	11 00	
Miscellaneous income,	41 13	
	<hr/>	\$8,001 15
Operating expenses,		
Jno. N. Robertson,	\$840 00	
Management,	175 00	
Fuel and supplies,	883 64	
Repairs,	298 20	
John N. Goss,	64 75	
	<hr/>	\$2,261 59
Net income,		\$6,739 56

Second Summary.

Total receipts :

Water rates,	\$5,014 40
Town of Milford,	2,831 56
Board of Education,	92 06
Public Library,	11 00

Fire Department,	\$11 00	
Miscellaneous,	41 13	
New services added,	558 10	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	241 19	
	<hr/>	\$8,800 44

Total expenditure :

Management,	\$1,079 75	
Fuel and supplies,	883 64	
Repairs,	299 20	
Services,	290 91	
Construction,	127 68	
Miscellaneous,	69 34	
Interest on Water Bonds,	3,000 00	
Sinking fund,	1,200 00	
Paid into town treasury,	1,800 00	
Balance cash on hand Feb. 15, 1899,	59 92	
	<hr/>	\$8,800 44

General Summary.

Water loan, first issue,	\$65,000 00	
“ “ second issue,	10,000 00	
Premium on “ “	303 75	
Income from works to Feb. 15, 1899,	48,995 18	
	<hr/>	\$124,298 93

Total cost of works to Feb. 15, 1899 :

Amount paid Milford Water Works Co.,	\$62,562 01	
Interest on notes given in first payment,	4,511 25	
Interest on bonded debt, 1892,	2,000 00	
“ “ “ 1893,	2,600 00	
“ “ “ 1894,	3,000 00	
“ “ “ 1895,	3,000 00	
“ “ “ 1896,	3,000 00	
“ “ “ 1897,	3,000 00	
“ “ “ 1898,	3,000 00	
Expense of bond issue, \$65,000,	186 60	
New construction,	17,249 57	
Maintenance to Feb. 15, 1899,	17,328 86	
Tools and machinery,	662 96	
	<hr/>	\$122,101 25
Surplus receipts over expenditures,		2,197 68
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		\$124,298 93

REPORT OF

The Board of Education.

The Board of Education presents to the citizens of Milford this report of the schools for the year ending Feb. 15, 1899.

We entered upon the work of the year with an efficient company of workers as teachers in all our schools. This corps of teachers, with a few changes, we have been able to retain throughout the year. That we are doing excellent work in our schools is evident to all who will take notice of the number of scholars that come to us from other towns about us.

During the year we have opened one new school at East Milford and call it the Laurel school. In the moving and furnishing of this school the town is under obligations to the late A. N. Shepard and also to the following gentlemen, W. E. Murphy, John Burnett, A. M. Ingram, Jason W. Bills, Andrew F. Murphy, P. G. and A. J. Fisher, John Murphy, David Hennigan, Charles L. Calderara, J. Fontana, T. J. Murphy, J. R. Thomson, John P. Conti, George W. Tarbell, E. A. Tilton, James P. Meizer, L. Calderara, Edward Conley, John Romani, John Bianchi, Charles Woodman, A. J. Dutton, John Rossi, for contributions of both land and money. We have a primary school at Laurel, consisting of grades one, two and three, which we are sure will be able to do equally good work with the same grades in the village. When children are advanced far enough to enter the fourth grade they will come to the village, the same as before this school was opened.

During the year we have painted outside and inside the houses at No. 9, Osgood and North. During the coming year we will be obliged to do the same at the Shedd and old brick. The old brick must be connected with the sewer and provided with closets during the summer vacation. This must be done, as the board has already been notified by the health board to do the same.

We publish with this report our course of study for the schools below the High.

With the beginning of the fall term the board were able to do that which they had desired for some years to do, introduce the teaching of music in our schools. Miss Stillman, a teacher of experience in primary work, was secured as assistant to Miss Gray, and she has devoted her forenoons to primary work in the third grade and her afternoons to the teaching of music in all the grades below the High school. The plan of the board was to teach music in all grades below the High during this year and another year continue the music of the class entering the High, and in this way in three or four years all the schools in the village would be taught music with their other studies. The teacher gives two lessons a week to each school in the village and a double lesson once a week to the school at Laurel. The starting of this study has been hard work for teachers and scholars alike, for all grades had to start at the same place and do the work of first grade scholars. That the venture has been a success and an advance that all the scholars have been pleased with has already been proven. What music will do for the schools and through the schools for the public, time alone can show. That the board was yielding to a popular demand in the introduction of music was shown by the petition of the Woman's Club, which came to us after this course of action was determined upon. To this same organization we wish to extend our thanks for the beautiful picture, "The Lion of Lucerne," presented by it to our sixth grade school.

We are proud of our schools, as we have reason to be, and desire to make them more and more efficient each year; and this we can only do by our citizens showing a like liberality in the future to that which they have shown in the past.

High School Graduates.

CLASS OF 1898.

Lily Gertrude Allison,	Emma Sarah Ames,
Walter Elmer Billings,	Willis Clifford Chandler,
Chester Freeman Melendy,	Cornelius Andrew O'Leary,
Mabel Louise Parker,	Clarence Andrew Raymond,
Harold Allan Rich,	Edith Bell Sargent.
Hattie May Shaw.	

Grammar School Graduates.

John Roy McLane,	LeRoy Eli Watkins,
Elmer Rose Duncklee,	Fred Dickey Ordway.
Norman Clyde Baker,	Dennis Henry Brennan.
Robert Burns Wallace,	Jeremiah John Murphy,
John Matthew Brennan,	George Richmond Clark,
Frederick Thomas Dillon,	Merlin Freelan Blodgett,
George Washington Ellison,	Ida May Ames,
Annie Reville,	Sadie May Kenney,
Bertha Edith Ames,	Lizzie Maria Young,
Agnes Lois Gardner,	Jessie Ellen Dunbar,
Ruth Daniels French,	Mattie Louise Osgood,
Alice Elizabeth Winters,	Margureta Adelia Vittum,
Lawrence Arthur Rossiter,	Hazel Ellen McLane.

List of Teachers.

High,	Harry C. Morrison, principal,	year.
"	Sarah L. Bird,	"
"	Alice P. Campbell,	spring and fall.
"	Ellen Gunton,	winter.
Ninth grade,	Mary E. Knight,	year.
Eighth "	Sarah F. Norcross,	"
Seventh "	Jessie Marshall,	"
Sixth "	Grace M. Reed,	spring.
" "	Mabel H. Lusk,	fall and winter.
Fifth "	Emily C. A. Starrett,	year.
Fourth }	Louise R. Anderson,	"
Third "	Alice C. Gray,	"
" "	Lilla J. Ames, assistant,	spring.
" "	Minnie J. Stillman, "	fall and winter.

Second grade,	Caro G. Graydon,	year.
" "	Hattie M. Foster,	"
First " "	Mary E. Davidson,	"
" "	Edith M. Leathe,	"
Teacher of music,	Minnie J. Stillman,	fall and winter.
Federal Hill,	Fannie Knapp,	spring.
" "	Emma Ames,	fall and winter.
North,	Ivah L. Kenney,	spring.
" "	Minnie Reynolds,	fall and winter.
Osgood,	Georgina D. Hutchinson,	year.
Pine Valley,	Sara S. Alley,	spring.
" "	Florence Reynolds,	fall and winter.
Shedd,	Sadie A. Harvell,	spring.
" "	Margaret I. Burnett,	fall and winter.
Laurel,	Lilla J. Ames,	" " "

No. of boys enrolled, five years of age and upward, attending school not less than two weeks,	316
No. of girls, same,	325
Children under six years,	52
Between six and sixteen,	551
Over sixteen,	28
Total average membership,	561
Total average attendance,	516
Per cent. of attendance,	91.7
No. between five and sixteen not attending any school,	35
No. of official visits of School Board,	175

FRED W. FARNSWORTH,
LAURA B. SMITH,
EDGAR I. KENDALL.

Board of Education

Financial.

Receipts :

Balance from last report,	\$102 89	
Town of Milford, regular appropriation,	11,000 00	
“ “ Laurel school “	1,000 00	
“ “ notes and interest ap proprietion,	2,080 00	
“ “ dog licenses,	292 25	
“ “ literary fund,	384 60	
Tuition,	150 00	
Subscriptions from residents of Laurel,	105 00	
Endicott park,	7 00	
Miscellaneous, sale of books, etc.,	5 75	
	<hr/>	\$15,127 49

Expenditures :

Instruction,	\$8,473 73	
Books and supplies,	830 84	
Repairs and improvements,	420 68	
Janitors and labor,	923 30	
Fuel,	634 03	
Printing,	72 25	
Miscellaneous,	288 97	
Salaries of school board,	250 00	
Laurel school,	894 33	
Notes and interest,	2,080 00	
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Balance,		<hr/> \$259 36

INSTRUCTION.

H. C. Morrison,	\$1,199 97
Sarah L. Bird,	458 36
Alice P. Campbell,	444 40
Ellen Gunton,	55 55
Mary E. Knight,	499 95
Sarah F. Norcross,	450 00
Jessie Marshall,	450 00
Mabel H. Lusk,	199 98
Grace M. Reed,	199 98
Emily C. A. Starrett,	399 96
Mary E. Davidson,	345 60

Louise R. Anderson,	\$399 96
Caro G. Graydon,	324 95
Alice C. Gray,	399 96
Lilla J. Ames,	257 99
Hattie M. Foster,	349 92
Edith M. Leathe,	345 60
Frances L. Knapp,	124 00
Emma S. Ames,	139 50
Ivah L. Kenney,	144 00
Minnie E. Reynolds,	139 50
Sarah S. Alley,	162 00
Georgina D. Hutchinson,	279 00
Florence C. Reynolds,	195 60
Sadie A. Harvell,	91 00
Margaret I. Burnett,	126 00
Vida A. Dunbar,	75 00
Minnie J. Stillman,	216 00
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	\$8,473 73

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co.,	\$5 00
The Morse Co.,	14 85
Geo. A. Worcester, supplies,	1 25
H. L. Bartlett, supplies,	1 78
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	17 50
Lathrop Publishing Co.,	36 00
H. C. Morrison, supplies,	4 58
C. S. Huntley,	11 50
J. H. Fay, supplies,	25
J. L. Hammett Co.,	3 67
Allyn & Bacon,	30 25
Longmans, Green & Co.,	4 98
Edw. Babb & Co.,	6 25
F. W. Farnsworth, supplies,	203 22
Kendall & Wilkins, "	2 46
H. H. Barber, "	1 33
Werner School Book Co.,	63 84
Leach, Sherwell & Co.,	40 28
D. C. Heath & Co.,	26 56
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.,	62 79
American Book Co.,	42 12

Emerson & Son, supplies,	\$27 45
Ginu & Co.,	182 13
W. F. French, supplies,	40 80

\$830 84

JANITORS AND LABOR.

Mrs Peter Cota, cleaning Old Brick and No. 9 schoolhouses,	\$37 80
G. M. Center, janitor of Old Brick and No. 9 schoolhouses,	374 50
D. G. Hartshorn, janitor of New High school,	450 00
John Bishop, " Pine Valley "	29 30
W. E. Murphy, " Laurel "	17 00
Mrs. James Frost, cleaning Federal Hill schoolhouse,	60
G. D. Hutchinson, cleaning Osgood school-house,	75
Josephine Denno, cleaning,	1 60
John Casey, cleaning vaults,	75
J. M. Stickney,	20
Dennis Hurley, janitor Pine Valley,	6 00
Sadie Harvell, cleaning Shedd schoolhouse,	4 00
W. J. Prince,	80

\$923 30

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

E. J. Parker,	\$21 54
W. L. Winslow,	6 30
James A. Mixer,	276 19
Kidder & Whitney,	45
A. E. Gay,	28 80
Geo. A. Avery,	77 63
J. T. & E. B. Burns,	7 27
W. H. Wilson,	2 50

\$420 63

FUEL.

J. B. Burt,	\$52 60
Albert Emery,	75
Noah D. Wright,	13 30

W. H. Gillis,	\$3 75
I. H. Carleton,	4 00
Smith Berry,	2 50
W. Q. Young,	3 50
W. W. Burnham,	8 00
R. H. Center,	12 00
Merrill Bros.,	5 50
F. S. Keyser,	10 00
J. T. & E. B. Burns,	11 50
E. K. Jewett,	8 62
F. B. French & Co ,	3 75
Edw. Bartelle,	3 75
George Crosby,	32 00
B. R. Came & Son,	400 51
Frank Hartshorn,	23 00
Melwin Hutchinson,	2 00
Jesse Wilkins,	20 00
O. R. Kendall,	13 00

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Kendall & Wilkins, lawn dressing,	\$4 20
H. H. Barber, ribbon,	2 25
Milford Water Works, water,	92 06
E. E. Hill, taking census,	16 00
A. L. Keyes, boiler inspection and insurance,	25 00
E. S. Heald, lettering diplomas,	3 85
William C. Hill, tuning piano,	1 50
B. M. Chase, transportation,	4 50
Cyrus Richardson, D. D., oration,	10 00
F. W. Farnsworth, expense hiring teachers,	2 90
A. J. Hutchinson, ribbon for diplomas,	2 00
Mabel L. Parker, treasurer, graduation ex penses,	6 00
D. G. Hartshorn, express,	35
Sara S. Alley, transportation,	1 75
James E. Webster, clock,	4 25
Hattie M. Foster, repairs on organ,	2 00
N. K. Holt, transportation,	13 00
Florence C. Reynolds, transportation,	2 30
F. A. Dodge, truant officer,	10 00
Milford Electric Light Co., light,	6 80

Ordway & Kendall, teams for census taking, etc.,	\$4 50	
M. R. Burnham, tuning pianos,	2 50	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co., oil,	10 50	
B. & M. R. R., transportation,	48 00	
Frank Savage, “	4 00	
Merlin F. Blodgett, “	2 00	
Guy Blodgett, “	3 00	
E. I. Kendali, postage, recording deed, revenue stamp, etc.,	3 76	
	<hr/>	\$288 97

LAUREL SCHOOL.

W. L. Winslow, mason work,	\$38 16	
Chandler Adjusting Chair and Desk Co.,	107 40	
Mrs. Edw. Conley, cleaning,	2 50	
Mrs. W. E. Murphy, “	50	
Emerson & Son, furniture,	18 01	
J. A. Mixer, painting,	78 73	
E. M. Parker, teaming,	2 51	
David Stevens, moving building,	250 00	
E. J. Parker, lumber, labor, etc.,	86 39	
F. W. Farnsworth, barrel,	80	
A. N. Shepard, building fence, etc.,	50 00	
“ “ labor,	1 00	
A. J. Hutchinson, wall paper,	2 20	
J. B. Burt, foundation and grading,	204 00	
Milford Water Works, connecting,	48 88	
Junkins & Hazeltine, setting batters, etc.,	2 75	
A. J. Fisher, gravel,	50	
	<hr/>	\$894 33

PRINTING.

James P. Melzer,	\$14 85	
William B. Rotch,	57 40	
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SALARIES OF SCHOOL BOARD.

F. W. Farnsworth,	\$100 00	
Laura B. Smith,	75 00	
Edgar I. Kendall,	75 00	
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NOTES AND INTEREST.

E. H. Rollins & Son,

\$2,080 00

There are outstanding bills amounting to about \$100, leaving available for the coming year approximately \$160.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. FARNSWORTH,
LAURA B. SMITH,
EDGAR I. KENDALL,

School Board.

MILFORD, N. H., Feb. 16, 1899.

This is to certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER.

Receipts :

Balance from last report,	\$102 89	
Orders of selectmen on town treasurer,	14,756 85	
Subscriptions Laurel,	105 00	
Tuition,	150 00	
Miscellaneous,	12 75	
	<hr/>	\$15,127 49

Payments :

Orders of the school board Nos. 0 to 402 inclusive excepting Nos. 372 and 385,	<hr/>	14,811 80
Balance,		\$315 69

Respectfully submitted,
EDGAR I. KENDALL,
Treasurer.

February 17, 1899.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

STATISTICS OF THE SCHOOLS.

September 1, 1897 to June 17, 1898.

Number of Scholars Studying.

Names of Schools.	Names of Teachers.			No. weeks.	Total enrollment.	Boys.	Girls.	Average membership.	Aver. daily attendance.	Per cent. of attendance.	No. pupils under 6 years.	No. pupils between 6 and 12 years of age.	No. over 12 years of age.	Visits by parents and others.	Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Algebra.	Geometry.	Surveying.	Philosophy.	Chemistry.	Astronomy.	Botany.	
	H. C. Morrison, Principal.	Sarah L. Bird	Alice P. Campbell																													
High	H. C. Morrison, Principal. Sarah L. Bird Alice P. Campbell			36	73	35	38	66	62	94	17	56	50									40										
Grade IX.	Mary E. Knight			36	43	22	21	39	38	97	33	10	210	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	42								
Grades VIII & IV.	Sarah F. Norcross			36	38	25	13	35	34	97	38		51	38	38	38	38	38	20	38	18	38	38									
Grade VII.	Jessie Marshall			36	34	14	20	29	27	93	33	1	101	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34		30	30								
Grade VI.	Grace M. Reed			36	37	24	13	34	32	94	34		56	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35			35								
Grade V.	Emily C. A. Starrett			36	42	16	26	35	33	94	42		146	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41			41								
Grade IV.	Louise K. Anderson			36	51	22	29	44	41	93	51		181	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51		51	51								
Grade III.	Alice C. Gray, Prin. Lilla J. Ames, Asst.			36	64	30	34	57	54	94	64		156	64	64	64	64	64	64	64	64			64								
Grade II (Brick)	Hattie M. Foster			36	38	13	25	34	30	89	38		123	38	38	38	38	38	38	38	38			38								
Grade II. (No. 9)	Caro G. Graydon			36	37	12	25	32	30	93	37		83	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37			37								
Grade I. (Brick)	Edith M. Leathe			36	43	20	23	32	29	92	40		78	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43			43								
Grade I (No. 9)	Mary H. Davidson			36	44	26	18	37	33	89	36		115	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44			44								
Federal Hill	Frances L. Knapp			32	24	17	7	18	13	71	20	3	36	21	20	20	22	21	11	12			24		1							
Osgood	Georgina D. Hutchinson			36	27	14	13	20	17	81	26		109	27	27	27	27	27	16	15	10		27									
Shedd	Sadie A. Harvell, Florence C. Reynolds			36	9	4	5	6	6	100	7	1	87	9	9	9	9	9	9	7	7		8	6								
Pine Valley	Sara S. Alley			36	48	26	22	33	27	81	41	1	53	48	48	48	48	48	26	28	14	28	26									
North	Ivah L. Kenney			36	15	9	6	10	9	90	14	1	12	15	15	15	15	15	15	6	8	5		1								

COURSE OF STUDY.

PRIMARY AND GRAMMAR GRADES.

The following course of study is presented by the School Board for use in the Primary and Grammar grades of the Milford schools. It is not intended to be a complete manual of instruction for our schools, but the Board hope that by its use a desired continuity of work may be obtained.

The judgement of the teachers is to be exercised in developing this outline, and the School Committee may be consulted at any time.

In carrying out the work suggested, much time should be given to the proper use of the language course. This should have a larger proportion of each week's time than any other branch of study, and every effort should be made to give pupils ease and correctness in the use of the English language.

No specific apportionment of time has been made for the teaching of morals and manners, for it is assumed that proper moral training will accompany all work done by the teachers.

Language.

GRADE 1.—FIRST HALF YEAR.

Teach from blackboard, using word, sentence or phonic method, until pupils have acquired use of about 75 words. Select these words from first part of Primer. Read first half of Cyr Primer. Copy sentences from reading lessons.

SECOND HALF YEAR.

Sight reading from Cyr Primer. Read Cyr's First Reader, and supplement by the furnished books. Teach capitals, period, question mark. Teach pupils to give orally simple story reproductions. The spelling should, as soon as possible, be taught by writing the words. Some oral spelling should be heard to enable

the child to understand syllables, and to give the teacher a chance to do specific word work, but the major part of the work should be written.

Teach memory gems.

GRADE II.

Reading—partly studied at seat, and partly sight reading—from the first part of Barnes, Stickney, Franklin Second Readers. Use the furnished supplementary reading. Teach choice selections. Add to the previous punctuation marks the comma and semicolon. Teach the use of is, are; was, were; has, have; this, these; that, those; a, an, the.

Practice in writing statements and questions. Let the pupils copy sentences illustrating their work. Spelling should have two periods each day. One lesson must be written, both may be. It is advised that each lesson occupy not more than 20 minutes.

GRADE III.

Complete the Second Readers used in second grade, and read Cyr Second Reader, also supplementary work. Spelling as in Grade II. Review language work already taken, and give daily practice in copying correct sentences, or dictation lessons. Have oral story reproduction, trying to make the child express himself correctly.

Teach common abbreviations.

GRADE IV.

Use Stickney and Cyr Third Readers, supplemented by nature readers.

Teach the two parts of a sentence. Teach noun, adjective, personal pronoun, verb, giving each its proper name.

Use a few minutes each day in copying, dictating, or composing; make such exercises short and simple, but aim to obtain correctness.

Memory gems. Written spelling once a day.

GRADE V.

Reading from Stickney, Barnes, Cyr Fourth Readers.

Spelling as in Grade IV.

Teach paragraph, giving copying to illustrate.

Teach all the parts of speech; also proper noun, common noun; relative pronouns; qualifying adjectives. Illustrate each by abundance of written work. Use Raub's Lessons in English.

Teach one or two whole poems, as well as memory gems.

GRADE VI.

Stickney Fifth Reader. "Stories from American History." Wonder Book. Burrough's "Birds and Bees." Building of the Ship. Grandfather's Chair. Short poems from Whittier.

Treat the selected reading not merely as a reading lesson, but as an introduction to literature.

Study Part III. of "Lessons in English."

Spelling as before.

Declamation and composition once a term for each pupil.

GRADE VII.

Selections from Holmes. Tanglewood Tales. Sharp Eyes. Poems from Whittier.

Use second part of Raub's Grammar.

Declamation and Composition as before.

Spelling as before.

In this grade treat the properties of words very thoroughly.

GRADE VIII.

Cooper's Spy. Miles Standish. Sketch Book. Snow Bound. Complete Raub's Grammar, giving special care to analytic work.

Spelling, Declamation, Composition as before.

GRADE IX.

Ivanhoe. Lady of the Lake. David Copperfield. Merchant of Venice. Standish of Standish. Selections from "Masterpieces of American Literature."

Give time in this grade to some of the more complex analytic work.

Spelling, Declamation, Composition as before.

Arithmetic.

GRADE I.

Teach combinations of numbers to 12; Roman numerals to XII. Coins to dime, inclusive. Time by the clock. Day, week. One half, and one fourth. Counting to fifty. One inch, one foot. The pupil should learn to draw and measure inch and foot. Teach also pint, quart, dozen.

GRADE II.

Teach combinations of numbers to thirty; also Roman notation to XXX. Teach thirds, sixths, eighths. Coins to dollar,

inclusive. Pint, quart, peck. Add the yard to previous linear measurements. Teach ounce, pound. Tables of 2, 3, 10, 5, 4.

GRADE III.

Teach the fundamental processes to 100. All U. S. coins. Complete tables of dry and liquid measure. Fifths and tenths. Tables of 6, 7, 8, and 9. Review measurements already taken, and add square inch, and square foot. Teach multiplication with not more than two figures. Division with one figure, the result leaving no remainder.

GRADE IV.

Teach fundamental processes to one million. Review previous weights and measures, and add square yard and cubic inch.

In multiplication do not use more than three figures as a multiplier, and keep the result within million's order.

Teach long division. Teach addition and subtraction of fractions having a common denominator. Spend some time each week during the second half year in reading and explaining of problems without working them.

GRADE V.

Review the fundamental principles of Arithmetic; also weights and measures, and add cubic foot. Complete table of avoirdupois weight. Teach addition, subtraction and reduction of fractions, avoiding all complicated work.

GRADE VI.

Teach common fractions thoroughly. Decimal fractions. Factors and multiples. Complete tables of weights and measures.

GRADE VII.

Teach denominate numbers, giving much practical work in application. Review decimal fractions thoroughly.

GRADE VIII.

Teach percentage. Interest, with special work on the applications most frequently used in ordinary business.

GRADE IX.

Teach ratio, proportion. Square root. Cube root. Thorough review of Arithmetic. Single entry Book-keeping for one term.

Suitable mental work should be taken in each grade throughout the year.

Geography.

GRADE III.

Teach points of compass; seasons; observation of natural

phenomena, as clouds, rain, winds, etc.; hills, mountains, valleys; bodies of water.

Teach something about the geography of Milford.

GRADE IV.

During the first term follow work laid down in Frye's Primary Geography in the first 29 lessons.

The second term, teach the earth as a whole.

The hot parts of the earth.

People, { Dress.
Method of life.
Customs.

Animals.

Plants.

The cold parts of the earth taken same way.

The third term, teach the Grand Divisions; the continents. Enough about the form, size, elevation, climate, productions and inhabitants of each continent to give a general idea of each, and to form a basis of comparison.

Teach forms of water.

GRADE V.

Use the following analysis.

Natural divisions.

Political divisions.

Climate.

Inhabitants.

Productions.

Imports and exports.

Important cities.

Government.

By these topics, study North America for the first term, filling out the analysis in a manner suited to the grade, and to the time allowed.

The second term, take South America and Europe in the same way.

Third term, Asia and Africa.

Use Frye's Primary Geography.

GRADE VI.

Using the outline given for Grade V., study British America, United States, Mexico, Central America. The topics will be filled out more to correspond with the grade, and more time given to

commercial Geography. Teach United States by groups of states, giving special attention to New England and New Hampshire.

Teach parallels, meridians, zones, etc.

Also winds, ocean currents.

GRADE VII.

Teach South America, filling in the topics to suit grade. Teach political divisions, laying stress only upon the more important ones, as Brazil.

Teach Europe, giving special time to England, and in a lesser degree Germany and Russia.

Teach Africa. Explorations; slavery; growth of English dominion.

GRADE VIII.

Teach political divisions of Asia, putting emphasis upon Japan, China, and India. Teach what the time allows about the customs, manners, and history of these three.

Teach Australia and Oceania

Review winds and currents, and their effect on climate and navigation.

If time allows; review the United States.

History.

In the first six grades, historical teaching will be for the larger part incidental to the other work. One period each week, however, is to be given to regular historical work, using the following topics as a general guide, adapting their development to the grade of the school.

Exploration.

Colonization.

Biography.

Stories of adventure.

National growth.

We suggest the following outline, which may be varied if desirable.

GRADE I.

Teach such biographical sketches as naturally connect themselves with our national history.

GRADE II.

Add to the work of Grade 1, stories of the Esquimaux and Indians.

GRADE III.

Enlarge preceding work, and add Drake, John Smith, Wm. Penn, Benjamin Franklin.

GRADE IV.

Add to preceding work, Sir Walter Raleigh, Roger Williams, Boston Tea Party, Daniel Boone.

GRADE V.

Hudson, Champlain, The Pilgrims. Teach dates 1492 and 1620 if not already known.

GRADE VI.

Marquette. LaSalle. Colonial manners and customs. Inventors of Telegraph, Steamboat and Railroad.

Teach dates 1775, 1789, 1812, with associate facts.

GRADE VII.

Acquisition of territory by the U. S.:

Louisiana.

Florida.

Texas.

Alaska.

Gaining of Oregon. Life of Marcus Whitman. Montgomery's small History will be used in this grade, and at least three periods each week will be given to historical work.

GRADE VIII.

In this grade, the formal study of American History will be begun and carried to 1789.

GRADE IX.

Complete American History in two terms. The third term is to be given to the study of civics. The work will be done chiefly by oral teaching, and of course will be somewhat elementary in character. The government of the U. S. and New Hampshire will be studied.

In both Grade VIII and Grade IX the study of History is to be pursued topically, and such contemporary European History as may be deemed advisable shall be added to the regular work.

Physiology.

In the first five grades, simple lessons about the human body and its care, especially the care of the skin, teeth and nails, shall be given at least once a week. Lessons suited to the capacity of the pupils shall be given about proper eating and drinking, including use of narcotics and stimulants.

GRADE VI.

Study the skeleton; muscles; proper exercise.

GRADE VII.

Digestive organs; choice of food; right habits in eating.

GRADE VIII.

Circulation and respiration.

GRADE IX.

Brain and nervous system. Special senses.

In every grade care should be taken that the law regarding the teaching of the evil effects of stimulants should be obeyed.

List of Text Books.

READERS:

Barnes.

Stickney.

Cyr.

Franklin.

With supplementary
work.

SPELLER:

Worcester.

ARITHMETIC:

Milne's Grammar School
and Primary.

" Mental.

Werner's "

Prince's Graded Books.

GRAMMAR:

Lessons in English (Raub)

Raub's Practical English
Grammar.

Miss Hyde's Lessons.

GEOGRAPHY:

Frye's Primary.

" Complete.

With supplementary
books.

PHYSIOLOGY:

Smith

Brand.

HISTORY:

Montgomery.

Barnes.

Ellis

Sheldon.

BOOK-KEEPING:

Meservey.

Warrant For The Annual Meeting

OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MILFORD.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Milford qualified to vote in District affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House, in said District, on the sixteenth day of March, A. D. 1899, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Schools for the ensuing year.
6. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate towards improving the new High school lot, or pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To see if the District will vote to insure any of its school property and raise and appropriate money for the same.
8. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subjects embraced in this warrant.
9. To hear the reports of agents, auditors and committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seal this first day of March, A. D. 1899.

FRED W. FARNSWORTH,
LAURA B. SMITH,
EDGAR I. KENDALL,

School Board.

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen:—

In compliance with an act of the Legislature, enacted June session, 1887, requiring “clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual report,” I herewith submit the following:—

J. M. LAWS, *Town Clerk.*

Births Registered in the Town of Milford, for the Year Ending December 31, 1898.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Sex and Condition.			Name of the Child (if any.)	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.	
		Living or still-born.		No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.									Color.
		Male.	Female.										
Jan. 3	Milford		F.	L.	6	W.	David H. Hennigan.	Carrie E. Cole	W.	Quarryman.	Boston, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.	
" 6	"		"	"	1	"	George W. Burton.	Julie Riel.	"	Farmer.	Canada.	Canada.	
" 10	"	M.	"	"	3	"	Hubert W. Amnden.	Florence G. Hall.	"	Clerk.	Milford	Milford.	
" 10	"	"	"	"	1	"	S. Carroll Colburn.	Ida Belle Goodwin.	"	Mechanic.	Prov. Quebec.	Roxham, C. E.	
" 13	"	"	"	"	1	"	Hector C. Cockburn.	Alberta Seamans.	"	Mechanic.	Ireland.	Ireland.	
" 15	"	"	"	"	1	"	Michael J. Ryan.	Mary E. Clarkin.	"	Quarryman.	Sarniac, N. Y.	Canada East.	
" 17	"	"	"	"	4	"	F. Arthur Douglass.	Malvina Derossier.	"	Laborer.	Gardner, Mass.	Greenfield.	
" 19	"	"	"	"	6	"	Merlin E. Cobleigh.	Abbie Swinington.	"	Farmer.	Milford	Woburn, Mass.	
" 27	"	"	F.	"	1	"	William R. Smith.	Margaret Agnes Sloan.	"	Mechanic.	"	Rhode Island.	
" 28	"		"	"	1	"	Walter S. Withie.	Effie Blanchard.	"	Engineer.	"	Milford.	
" 29	"		"	"	2	"	Henry A. Sargent.	Eva L. Nelson.	"	Mechanic.	Lyndeborough.	Hyde Park, Pa.	
" 31	"		"	"	2	"	Alonzo W. Howard.	Sarah Jane Moore.	"	Farmer.	Lancaster, Mass.	Attleboro, Mass.	
Feb. 11	"	M.	"	"	11	"	Charles E. Barrett.	Addie Simmonds.	"	Laborer.	Lyndeborough.	Indianapolis, Ind.	
" 12	"		"	"	1	"	William R. Howard.	Lizzie R. Anderson.	"	Farmer.	Sweden.	Sweden.	
" 14	"		F.	"	4	"	Adar J. Nilson.	Frida C. Johnson.	"	Stone cutter.	Stratford, Vt.	Essex, Mass.	
" 16	"		"	"	1	"	Charles Willis.	Maria O'Hanlon.	"	Mason.	Ireland.	Ireland.	
Mar. 1	"		"	"	1	"	John W. Flanagan.	Margaret T. Gaine.	"	Painter.	Anberst.	Anberst.	
" 2	"		"	"	5	"	Louis C. Gilson.	Etta A. Austin.	"	Carpenter.	Nashua.	Francetown.	
" 4	"		"	"	3	"	Leon L. Junkins.	Nellie Deane.	"	Printer.	Nova Scotia.	Milford.	
" 7	"	M.	"	"	1	"	Balfour L. Randall.	Eyora F. Lovejoy.	"	Miller.	Hopkinton.	Anberst.	
" 7	"		F.	"	2	"	George H. Day.	Nellie E. Riddle.	"	Stone cutter.	Warwick, P. Q.	Prov. Quebec.	
" 9	"		"	"	4	"	Arthur Caron.	Anysie A. Bedard.	"	Mechanic.	England.	England.	
" 12	"		"	"	1	"	Benjamin Keast.	Eliza J. Brookings.	"	Laborer.	Bangor, N. Y.	"	
" 15	"	M.	"	"	2	"	Carlos Wheeler.	Sarah Loxton.	"	[R. L. Railroad	Ireland.	Ireland.	
" 24	"		F.	"	1	"	Jerry Gogin.	Rose A. Clarkin.	Providence,	Trader.	Marion, Ind.	Portland, Me.	
" 3	"	M.	"	"	5	"	Mamuel Stanley.	Ruth Stanley.	Milford	Stone mason.	Canada East.	Nicollet, C. E.	
" 4	"		"	"	7	"	James Bonrdon.	Adelaide Beausoleil.	"	Farmer.	Brookline.	Milford.	
" 14	"		F.	"	1	"	Edward B. Hall.	Nellie F. Rideout.	"	Gran. dealer.	Brunswick, N.Y.	"	
" 24	"		"	"	1	"	J. Thorn Young.	Ethel L. Billings.	"	"	"	"	

Apr.	25	Millford	M.	.....	L.	3	W.	Fred H. Perkins	Minnie Goodale	W.	Millford	Mechanic	Weare	Deering
	29	Oscar Lovejoy	"	.....	"	1	Fred M. Wheeler	Mary A. Batten	"	"	"	Dentist	Nashua	Fitchburg, Mas
May	22	Agnes Mary	F.	.....	"	3&3	Andrew M. Hutcheson	Lidia J. Dorsette	"	"	"	Mechanic	Millford	Grand Isle, Vt.
"	23	Leon Francis	M.	.....	"	2&3	John F. Johnson	Mary Burke	"	"	"	Polisher	Penacook	Ireland
"	23	Bridget Eileen	F.	.....	"	1	Thomas H. Cassidy	Catherine M. Riley	"	"	"	Carpenter	Nashua	Nova Scotia
"	24	Charles	M.	.....	"	8	Michael J. Devine	Nellie J. Galise	"	"	"	Musician	Boston, Mass.	Boston, Mass.
June	1	Gertrude Rosanna	F.	.....	"	14	Charles D. Jarest	Rosie Liberty	"	"	"	Operative	St. Albans, Vt.	Canada
"	2	Ann's Agnes	"	.....	"	1	John Riney	Hannah Burbee	"	"	"	Laborer	Lowell, Mass.	St. Ammie, P. Q.
"	10	Lillian Gertrude	"	.....	"	4	John D. Danno	Josephine Cota	"	"	"	Carpenter	Benson, Vt. [N. Y.	Middlebury, Vt.
"	18	Bessie	"	.....	"	2	Jesse L. Poland	Ella M. Wheeler	"	"	"	"	Moore's Forks	Ferryville, N. Y.
"	20	Mary	"	.....	"	1	John Boneher	Maria Laperle	"	"	"	"	St. Fabien, P. Q.	St. Malo, P. Q.
"	25	Henry Joseph	M.	.....	"	9	Adolph Vallancourt	Emilie Bonenfant	"	"	"	Stone cutter	St. George, P. Q.	Prov. Quebec
"	30	James	"	.....	"	6&4	William M. Clark	Agnes T. Gilchrist	"	"	"	Manager	Scotland	Scotland
July	12	Ralph Azel	"	.....	"	1&2	Azel P. Brigham	Ida A. Savage	"	"	"	Painter	New York, N. Y.	Wellesley, Mass
"	12	Barbara Burbank	F.	.....	"	1	Arion D. Bailey	Anna C. Burbank	"	"	"	Clerk	Sunapee	Fitzwilliam
"	12	Edward Mathews	M.	.....	"	3	Michael E. O'Neil	Annie E. Haskell	"	"	"	Hostler	New Brunswick	New Brunswick
"	12	Nellie Gertrude	F.	.....	"	2	Ruel D. Manning	Nellie M. Theron	"	"	"	Laborer	North'ge, Mass	Middletown, Ct.
"	15	Hazel Rebecca	"	.....	"	2	William Sandhim	Selma Gustafsen	"	"	"	"	"	Sweden
"	18	Edwin French	M.	.....	"	1	John C. Merrill	Addie C. French	"	"	"	Grain cutter	Sweden	Sweden
"	19	Urie Armand J.	"	.....	"	2	Albert LeClere	Roseanna Pinard	"	"	"	Grain dealer	Milford	Brookline
"	22	Guido	"	.....	"	3	Elia Rizzi	Luigia Calderara	"	"	"	Stone cutter	St. German, P. Q.	St. Camille, P. Q.
"	29	Earl Adelbert	"	.....	"	1	Howard E. Carlton	Ada D. Crowell	"	"	"	Grain cutter	Italy	Italy
Aug.	1	Leroy	"	.....	"	3	Fred Lawler	Maggie Tracy	"	"	"	Printer	Oldtown, Me.	Nova Scotia
"	13	Gertrude Irene	F.	.....	"	3	John A. Fitch	Phoebe S. Moore	"	"	"	Teamster	Calais, Me.	Calais, Me.
"	13	Carl	M.	.....	"	1	Harry M. Lawler	Helen Gouett	"	"	"	Poultry	Calais, Me.	Warwick, Mass.
"	13	Maurice Calvin	"	.....	"	4	Arthur W. Merrill	Grace E. Colby	"	"	"	Laborer	Calais, Me.	Middlebury, Vt.
"	14	Charles Henry	"	.....	"	2	Louis F. Spaulding	Lillie J. Anderson	"	"	"	Coal dealer	Calais, Me.	Nashua
"	15	Rosanna	M.	.....	"	1	Benjamin Bouvie	Rosa Jennotte	"	"	"	Poultry	Nova Scotia	"
"	20	Rudolph	"	.....	"	1	Peter Rabdeau	Rosa A. Duval	"	"	"	Quarryman	Slatersville, R. I.	Millford
"	25	Athalie M.	F.	.....	"	6	Ensebe Doncet	Victoria Cota	"	"	"	Quarryman	St. George, P. Q.	St. Uric, P. Q.
"	25	Rita	"	.....	"	4	John Roman	Marianna Doughi	"	"	"	Mechanic	Italy	Italy
"	31	Gladys Emily	"	.....	"	1	Charles P. Hartsborn	Francesca E. Courn	"	"	"	Laborer	Amherst	Tyngsborough
Sept.	13	Martin	M.	.....	"	12	John Rosier	Lizzie Doyle	"	"	"	"	Ireland	Ireland
"	16	Mathilda Rachel	F.	.....	"	2&1	Ferdinand Pinette	Jennie E. Melendy	"	"	"	"	St. Louis, P. Q.	St. Onisme, P. Q.
"	18	Joseph A. Lucian	M.	.....	"	1	Augustus Dionne	Margaret Souise	"	"	"	Pay. cutter	Nicolet, P. Q.	Nicolet, P. Q.
"	21	Nelle Julie	F.	.....	"	5	Henry Vignault	Anna DuHaine	"	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada
"	23	Barthelemi A.	M.	.....	"	7	Barthelemi Peletier	Philomene Burbec	"	"	"	Teamster	Arlington, Mass.	Wilton
"	29	Agnes Ellen	F.	.....	"	2	James O'Neil	Rose Nelson	"	"	"	Stone cutter	Wolcott, Vt.	Wolcott, Vt.
Oct.	2	Merle Ardell	"	.....	"	1	Elmer B. Grafton	Louisa A. Warren	"	"	"	Painter	Bangor, Me.	Peterborough
"	3	Chester, Jr.	M.	.....	"	1	Chester Kibble	Sarah Duval	"	"	"	Carpenter	Amherst	Hopkinton
"	3	Marie Irene	F.	.....	"	1	Charles F. Hazeltine	Grace A. Smiley	"	"	"	Stone cutter	Quebec, P. Q.	Prov. Quebec
"	5	Olive Grace	"	.....	"	1	Joseph Paradis	Louise Laperle	"	"	"	Farmer	Wolcott, Vt.	Amherst
"	5	Joseph William	M.	.....	"	4	Walter B. Merrill	Alice G. Riddle	"	"	"	"	Wolcott, Vt.	Amherst
"	15	Sherman Rodney	"	.....	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

BIRTHS — Continued.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of the Child (if any.)	Sex and Condition.			Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
			Male.	Living or still-born.	No. of child, 1st, 2d, etc.							
Oct. 17	Milford	Joseph Zoel	M.	L.	5	Joseph Duby	Jennie Guy	W.	Milford	Stone cutter	St. Ann, P. Q.	St. Ann, P. Q.
" 18	"	Mary Anna Eva	M.	"	2	Ulric Faubert	Pamila Jacques	"	"	"	Prov. Quebec	Island Pond, Vt
" 19	"	John Thomas	M.	"	4	Eugene A. Dutton	Marg't M. J. Caulfield	"	"	Hosiery	Milford	Boston, Mass.
" 20	"	John C.	"	"	1	Charles D. Felli	Guidetta Rossi	"	"	Gran. cutter	Italy	Italy
" 29	"	Joseph Eugene	"	"	5	Eugene Mayo	Mary A. Jacques	"	"	Stone cutter	Green River,	Prov. Quebec.
Nov. 7	"	Ethelyn Francis	F.	"	1	Charles E. Adams	Ida F. Clark	"	"	Teamster	Nashua, N. Y.	Milford
" 9	"	Daniel Clifford	M.	"	7	Edward Conley	Ellen McNailey	"	"	Laborer	Burke, N. Y.	Burke, N. Y.
" 21	"	Bernard Thomas	"	"	1	Thomas H. Bishop	Mary Duval	"	"	Stonemason	Quebec, P. Q.	Pittsfield.
" 26	"	Nora Phebe	F.	"	10	William Bifney	Rose Gonett	"	"	Laborer	Middlebury, Vt.	Middlebury, Vt.
" 30	"	Charles Chester	M.	"	2	Everett B. Coffin	Carrie E. Rand	"	"	Carpenter	Athol, Mass.	Manchester.
Dec. 2	"	Elsie	F.	"	1	George W. Clem	Josephine C. Ohlsen	"	"	Teamster	Nova Scotia	Sweden.
" 2	"	Alice	"	S.	2	George W. Clem	Josephine C. Ohlsen	"	"	"	Reading, Vt.	Boston, Mass.
" 6	"	Ruth Marion	"	"	1	George F. Hawkins	Lillian Jordan	"	"	"	England	Ireland.
" 8	"	Winniefread A.	"	L.	3	George Bowler	Mary Ann Baum	"	"	Gran. cutter	England	Canada.
" 8	"	Joseph D. A.	"	"	4	Samuel Joyal	Ellinoir Poulin	"	"	Stone cutter	St. Francis, P. Q.	Woburn, Mass.
" 18	"	Hattie	"	"	4	Eugene Ryan	Ellen A. Ryan	"	"	Laborer	Amherst	Julie, P. Q.
" 18	"	Mary Rose Anab'e	F.	"	7	David J. Bouthot	Mary B. Cautin	"	"	Clerk	St. Ann, P. Q.	Amherst.
" 23	"	William Carroll	"	"	2	Edward W. Crowell	Elsie R. Crooker	"	"	Mechanic	Nova Scotia	Durham, P. Q.
" 26	"	Earnest Whiting	M.	"	1	Clarence W. Rich son	Bertha M. Brooks	"	"	Teamster	Mont Vernon	Worcester, Mas.
" 26	"	William James	"	"	4	John J. McVeigh	Kate Kelley	"	"	Stone cutter	Ireland	

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J. M. LAWS, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Milford, for the Year ending December 31, 1898.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation.	Marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Feb. 26	Nashua	Elmer B. Grafton...	Milford	20	W.	Teamster	Milford	John F. Grafton...	Waldoboro', Me..	Teamster...	1	J. M. Durrell, M. E. clergyman, Nashua.
		Lena M. Warren...	"	19	"	Mill operative	Barre, Vt	Sarah J. Alexander...	Mont Vernon ...	Housewife	1	
Apr. 14	Milford	James A. Brahaney	"	36	"	Meat cutter...	Amherst.....	Viola M. C. H. Warren	Windsor, Vt....	Laborer....		
		Mary F. Sullivan...	"	25	"	Housework...	Hollis	Patrick Brahaney...	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Laborer....	2	George F. Marshall, pastor St. Patrick's church, Milford.
" 25	"	Fred G. Tucker...	"	19	"	Hostler	Goffstown ...	Margaret Finerty...	Ireland	Houseke' p'r	1	
		Mary F. Carter....	"	17	"	Mill operative	Wilton.....	Joseph Sullivan...	"	Laborer....	1	
" 27	"	Eugene J. [Sanderson	"	35	"	Mechanic.....	Milford	Sarah Cassidy...	New Hampshire.	Housewife	1	A. M. Pendleton, Unitarian clergyman Milford.
		Alice L. Wheeler,...	"	33	"	Dressmaker...	Hollis	Franklin K. Tucker.	North Weare...	Housewife	1	
" 27	"	William Follett....	Manch 'ster [Mass.	33	"	Gardner	Ramsdell, Eng	Charles T. Carter...	Lowell, Mass...	Farmer....	1	
		Seddie L. Crombie.	"	28	"	Sch'l teacher.	Manchester, [Mass.	Jane Landers.....	Holyoke, Mass...	Housewife	1	A. Judson Rich, Milford, Unitarian clergyman.
" 27	"	Zoel Casavant.....	Milford	23	"	Stone-cutter...	St. Pie, P. Q.	James Sanderson...	Holyoke, Mass...	Farmer....	1	
		Aglaee Bedard	"	24	"	Hosiery.	St. Julie, P. Q.	Betsy McQueen...	Litchfield	Housewife	1	
June 29	"	Frank B. Wilkins..	"	37	"	Mechanic.....	Milford	Benjamin Wheeler.	Hollis	Farmer....	1	
		Dora P. Howard...	"	35	"	Housework...	Temple	Elizabeth O. Arlin...	Northfield, Mass.	Housewife	1	
July 16	"	Charles E. Adams..	"	22	"	Farmer.....	Nashua	John Follett.....	England	Housewife	1	
		Ida Frances Clark.	"	30	"	Housework...	Milford	Eliza Baldwin.....	Manchest. Mass	Housewife	1	
								Enoch Crombie.....	"	Gardener...	1	
								Sarah E. Lee.....	St. Pie, P. Q....	Housewife	1	
								Napoleon Casavant..	"	Teamster...	1	George F. Marshall, pastor St. Patrick's church, Milford.
								Tharsile Titrault...	Canada	Farmer....	1	
								Charles Bedard	Stowe, Vt.....	Houseke' p'r	1	
								Melaine Laflamme..	Anherst.....	Carpenter...	1	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, Baptist clergyman.
								Charles Wilkins.....	Amherst.....	Farmer....	1	
								Maria Howard.....	Temple	Houseke' p'r	1	
								James Howard.....	E. Pepperill, Mass	Farmer....	1	
								Mary Ann Kendall...	Groton, Mass...	Houseke' p'r	1	
								Edward T. Adams...	Charlesto'n, Mass.	Farmer....	1	
								Josephine M. Blood..	Milford	Housewife	1	
								Rufus A. Clark.....	Anherst.....	Farmer....	1	
								Julia A. Hayden.....	"	Housewife	1	

July 17	"	Sanford Anderson.	"	....	28	"	Stonework ... Sweden.	Andrew Mangnusson	Sweden	Butcher.	1 Frank L. Knapp, Milford, Baptist clergyman.
	"	Marion O. Hathen.	"	....	22	"	Housework... Finland	Maria Johnson	Finland	Housewife	1 man.
Sept. 1	"	Peter Felli	"	....	33	"	Stone-cutter.. Italy	Anslem Hathen	Sweden	Merchant	1 George F. Marshall, pastor St. Patrick's church, Milford.
	"	Francesca Conolli	"	....	24	"	Dressmaker .. "	Louisa Fjellstrom	Italy	Stone-cutter	1
" 3	"	Ernest H. Adams	"	....	25	"	Laborer..... Temple	Giovanni A. Felli	"	Cook	1
" 7	"	Mary H. Polk	Lyndeboro	17		"	Housework... Cambridge, Mass.	Carolina Maletti	Greenville	Stone-cutter	1 Frank L. Knapp, Milford, Baptist clergyman.
	"	John J. Lorden	Hollis	28	"	"	Teamster	Ambregio Conolli	New Ipswich	Farmer	1
" 21	"	Rose Ellen Sloane	Milford	27	"	"	Dressmaking. Woburn, Mass.	Enelia Catto	Ireland	Housewife	1 George F. Marshall, pastor St. Patrick's church, Milford.
	"	Daniel G. Cahill	"	27	"	"	Toolsharpen'r Lauesville, Mass.	Channcey A. Adams	"	Housewife	1
Nov. 9	"	Mary F. Nolan	"	24	"	"	Housework... Wilton	Annie E. Taylor	"	Stone-cutter	1
	"	Charles A. Riddle	"	59	"	"	Laborer..... Anherst	Daniel Polk	Sweden	Housewife	2 Frank L. Knapp, Baptist clergyman, Milford.
" 16	"	Susan Richardson Elliott	"	43	"	"	Housework... Mont Vernon	Channcey A. Adams	Ireland	Farmer	2
	"	Joseph Manuel	Philadelphia, Pa.	34	"	"	Clergyman ... England	Daniel Lorden	Newtown, Wales	Housewife	1 Jas. Goodwin, priest of the Prot. Episc. church, Nashua.
" 22	Manchest'r	Helen M. Fuller	Milford	33	"	"	At home..... Milford	Mary Ryan	Sweden	Minister	1
	"	Gustaf Hokinson	"	29	"	"	Granite cutter Sweden	Patrick Sloan	Sweden	Lady	1 C. W. Rowley, M. E. clergyman, Manchester.
Dec. 7	Milford	Mary E. Riley	"	25	"	"	At home..... Anherst	Mary Ann McHugh	Anherst	Housewife	1
	"	Clarence E. Sanderson	"	31	"	"	Farmer..... Milford	Daniel Cahill	Harvard, Mass.	Farmer	1 H. P. Peck, Congregational clergyman, Milford.
" 27	"	Estella Emery	"	17	"	"	Housework... Greenfield	Mary Buckley	Litchfield	Housewife	1
" 28	"	Fred Anderson	"	25	"	"	Granite cutter Sweden	John Nolan	Greenfield	Mechanic	1
	"	Ethel D. McDermid	"	18	"	"	Housework... Stoneham, Mass.	Margaret Cane	Sweden	Farming	1 Frank L. Knapp, Baptist clergyman, Milford.
" 28	"	Charles Coni	"	28	"	"	Stone-cutter.. Italy	Sarah Wheeler	Woodstock, Vt.	Engineer	1 Geo. F. Marshall, pastor St. Patrick's church, Milford.
	"	Josephine Rossi	"	18	"	"	Dressmaker .. "	Nathan Richardson	Stoneham, Mass.	Housewife	1

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J. M. LAWS, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Milford, for the Year Ending December 31, 1898.

Date of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age.		Place of birth.	Sex and condition.		Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
		Years.	Months.		Days.	Sex.		Color.	Single, married, or widowed.		
Jan. 10	Sarah Parker Tarbell.	82	3		Pepperell, Mass.	F.	W.	Housewife.	Pepperell, Mass.	Pepperell, Mass.	Ennice Smith.
" 21	Caroline M. Fisher.	72	4		Weathersfield	M.	"	"	Milford.	Milford.	Florence G. Hall.
" 23	Hubert Hall Amnden.	40	3	14	Milford [Vt.	F.	"	"	St. Pas, P. Q.	St. Paul, P. Q.	Arthe'ise Beauchemin.
Feb. 25	Charlotte B. Gibson.	40	3	7	Charles' n, S.C.	"	"	"	Lempster.	Joshua Parker.	Eliza Hurd.
" 3	Maria E. J. Casavant.	77	6	24	Milford	"	"	"	Milford	William W. Burns.	Lucinda Hutchinson.
" 6	Mary E. Dodge.	49	6		Pittsfield	"	"	"	Ireland	John Connelly.	Maria Connor.
" 13	Ellen A. Hutchinson.	54	1		Milford [Mass.	"	"	"	Denmark	John H. Hendrickson	Desire Leighteger.
" 14	Maria Kelly.	18	1	14	Gloucester,	M.	"	"	Strafford, Vt.	Charles Willis.	Maria O. Haulon.
" 16	Henry Hendrickson.	87	7		Milford	F.	"	"	New Boston	James McMillen.	Mary Millen.
" 19	Stillborn	90	7		New Boston.	"	"	"	Daniel Lane.	Kate Courtney.	Kate Courtney.
" 21	Adaline Peabody.	87	2		Ireland	M.	"	"	Wilton.	Henry C. Stimson.	Mary Marble.
" 27	Timothy Lane.	43	10		Wilton	"	"	"	Mason.	Daniel Hill.	Betsey Austen.
Mar. 27	Orris Stimson.	79	11	25	Mason	F.	"	"	Acworth.	Hezekiah Mayo.	Mindwell Silsby.
Mar. 10	Martha C. Amnden	79	11	25	Unity	"	"	"	Lyndeborough	Josiah Crosby.	Margaret Whitmarsh.
" 11	Sarah S. Smith.	80	10		Unity	M.	"	"	Milford	Morris J. O'Connor.	Mary Mahoney.
" 13	John W. Crosby*.	61	4	21	Lowell, Mass.	"	"	"	Ireland	Jerry Gogan.	Rose A. Clarkin.
" 17	Jeremiah O'Connor	61	4	21	Milford	"	"	"	Lyndeborough	John Towne.	Betsey Carr.
" 24	Stillborn	80	2	23	Lyndeboro'	F.	"	"	Littleton, Mass.	Isaac Dodge.	Susan Reed.
Apr. 5	John Towne.	55	3		Littleton, Mas	M.	"	"	Camden, Me.	Simeon Pendleton.	Lavina Bates.
" 22	Mary E. Hall.	45	3		Hope, Me.	"	"	"	Brookline	Abner Marble.	Mary Melendy.
" 26	Laura L. Lovett.	45	3		Wilton	"	"	"	"	"	Lydia Annis.
May 18	Mary E. Stimson.	65	6	11	Litchfield	"	"	"	"	"	F. Arthur Douglas.
" 22	Calvin G. Blodgett	68	4		Milford	M.	"	"	"	"	Malvina Derosier.
" 23	Henry Louis Douglas.	71	9	4	Milford	"	"	"	"	"	Fanny Lewis.
" 29	John A. Carlton.	71	9		Mont Vernon.	"	"	"	"	"	Maria Laperle.
June 20	Mary Boucher.	44			Milford	F.	"	"	"	"	Gertrude Demariat.
" 26	Rosie Emma Jarest.	44			St. Albans, Vt.	"	"	"	"	"	"

* Woburn, Mass.

DEATHS.—Continued.

Date of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age.		Place of birth.	Sex and condition.		Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
		Years.	Months.		Sex.	Color.		Father.	Mother.		
July	4 Francis P. Nelson	54		England	M.	W.	Laborer	England	Ireland	James Nelson	Mary Brennan.
"	9 John F. Kivelle	42		Amesbury, Ms.	"	"	Millhand	Ireland	"	Jabez A. Sawyer	Hamah Emerson.
"	14 Frederick T. Sawyer	79	2	Bradford	"	"	Bank cashier	Bradford	Stoneham, Mass	Asa Merrill	Fanny Steele.
"	23 Calvin Merrill	71	6 10	Millford	"	"	Lumber & coal	Millford	Stoneham, Mass	Andrew Murphy	Annie McLaughlan
Aug.	1 Caroline L. Murphy	9		"	F.	"	"	England	Scotland	Fred A. Hutchinson	Alice C. Ward.
"	16 Alice C. Hutchinson	1	8	"	"	"	"	England	Scotland	Harry M. Lawler	Helen Gowett.
"	22 Carl Lawler	11		"	"	"	"	Calais, Me.	New Haven, Vt.	Samuel W. Ludwig	Eva M. Robbins.
"	28 Olivia T. Ludwig	8	9	"	F.	"	"	Waldoboro', Me.	Millford	Rufus Severance	Lydia Cramb.
Sept.	1 Maria P. Chase	75	3 22	"	"	"	"	Washington	Washington	Charles N. Caldwell	Georgianna Martin.
"	3 Chas. Ray'nd Caldwell	18		Amherst	M.	"	Retired	Windham	Gardner, Mass.	Samuel Hood	Sally Blanchard.
"	8 Phineas B. Hood	71	3	Millford	"	"	"	Millford	Millford	Benjamin Wright	Polly Wright.
"	17 Louisa Wright	85	5 25	"	F.	"	Spinster	"	Dunstable	Fred Lawler	Maggie Tracy.
"	28 Leroy Lawler	6		"	"	"	"	Calais, Me.	Calais, Me.	Amos Gray	Lucy Lovejoy.
Oct.	9 Mary Emery	81	11 23	Middleton, Ms	"	W.	Housekeeper	"	"	William Brown	Marie Thiboutot.
"	16 Henry A. Brown	68	4	Marlboro', Ms.	F.	"	Carpenter	Canada	Canada	Orrin Sheldon	Agnes Boyce.
"	23 John Bishop	75	11	Quebec, P. Q.	M.	"	"	Nelson	Sackville, N. B.	Samuel Came	Hannah Center.
"	25 Mary Etta M. Sheldon	30	2 28	N. B. Ilica, Ms.	F.	"	Retired	Barnstead	"	John Smiley	Mary Smith.
Nov.	4 Ann P. Lovejoy	81	4	Moultonboro'	"	W.	Housewife	Dover	Millford	Chester Kibble	Louisa Manning.
"	7 Grace A. S. Haseltine	30		Hopkinton	"	"	"	"	Amherst [Mass.	Stephen French	Hannah Sweet.
"	23 Mary J. F. Moore	90	1 7	Bedford	M.	"	"	Bedford	Newburyport.	Charles A. Riddle	Dolly B. Gardner.
"	26 Alice G. Merrill	28	11 23	Amherst	F.	"	Housekeeper	Burlington, N.S.	Sweden	George W. Clem	Josephine E. Ohlsen.
Dec.	2 Alice Clem	71		Millford	"	"	Carpenter	Malone, N. Y.	Malone, N. Y.	Cyrus Wilder	Nancy Erwin.
"	7 Alfred C. Wilder	71		Millford	M.	"	"	Burlington, N.S.	Sweden	George W. Clem	Josephine E. Ohlsen.
"	9 Elsie Clem	7		Millford	F.	"	"	St. German, P.Q.	St. Camille, P.Q.	Albert LeClerc.	Rose A. Pennard.
"	19 Ulric A. J. LeClerc	5		"	M.	"	"	"	"	"	"

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